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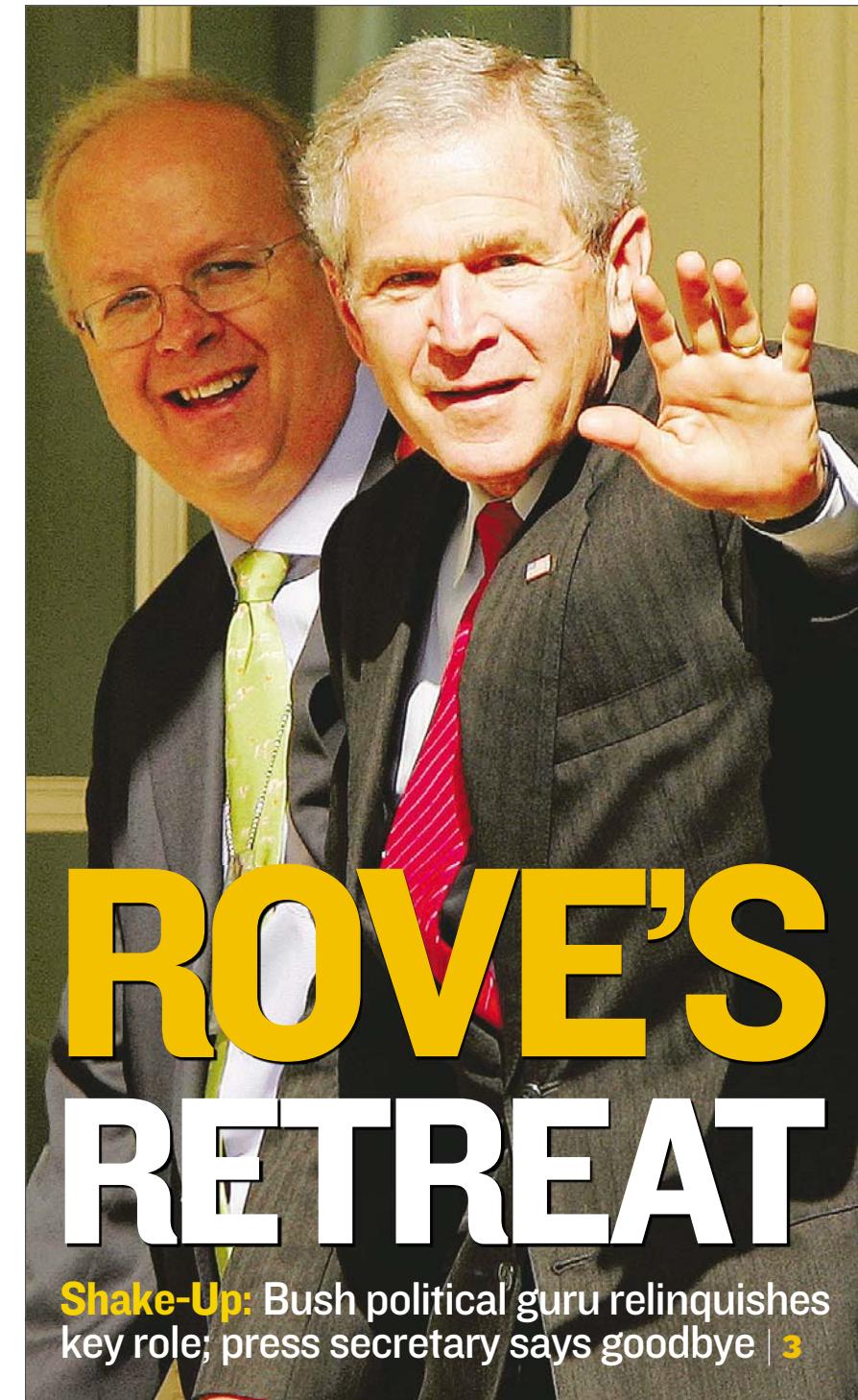
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NEW FOCUS: Karl Rove, President Bush's top adviser, will turn his attention to mid-term elections.

STAND-OFFS | And Then There Were None A police standoff in Oklahoma City lasted seven hours before officials realized the house was empty, KOCO-TV reported. Officers were monitoring a home as part of a drug investigation when they decided



to contact the occupants. A tactical team was brought in, and hours were spent trying to reach whomever was inside. Agents eventually approached the house and found no one home; nor were any of the suspects in the surrounding area. (EXPRESS) **EyeOpeners** | Page 2



U.S. Sees Sharp Fall In Deaths

Biggest drop in 70 years surprises medical experts

ATLANTA | In what appears to be an amazing success for American medicine, preliminary government figures released Wednesday showed that the annual number of deaths in the U.S. dropped by nearly 50,000 in 2004 — the biggest decline in nearly 70 years.

The 2 percent decrease, reported by the National Center for Health Statistics, came as a shock to many, because the U.S. is aging, growing in population and getting fatter. In fact, some experts said they suspect the numbers may not hold up when a final report is released later this year.

Nevertheless, center officials said the statistics, based on a review of about 90 percent of death records reported in all 50 states in 2004, were consistent across the country and were deemed solid enough to report. The center said drops in the death rates for heart disease, cancer and stroke accounted for most of the decline.

The preliminary number of U.S. deaths recorded for 2004 was 2,398,343. That represents a decline of 49,945 from the 2,448,288 recorded in 2003. U.S. deaths ordinarily rise slightly each year. The number of deaths has not dropped this steeply since 1938, when there were about 69,000 fewer than in 1937. Health officials could not immediately say why the number of deaths fell so sharply that year. (AP)

STAYING ALIVE

Life expectancy:

→ **Overall:** 77.9 years, a record high.

→ **Blacks:** 73.3 years, up from 72.7.

→ **Whites:** 78.3 years, up only slightly.

eyeOpeners

LUGGAGE

Start by Questioning The Nude TSA Worker

A woman flying from New Jersey to Florida opened her luggage after the trip and found a Transportation Security Administration uniform inside, WJXX-TV reported. Despite the uniform—along with various TSA patches and the name tag and number—TSA denies that any of its employees searched the bag, because if it had been searched, the agency said, there would have been a note inside saying it had been physically opened and examined. (EXPRESS)



DEADLINES

Their Luck Ran Out

Someone bought an \$853,492-winning Powerball lottery ticket in Hebron, Ky., in October, but, now that six months have passed, the ticket is no longer redeemable, United Press International reported. The gas station where the

ticket was sold and state school fund each received monetary awards, but by the time the deadline passed Monday, no one had claimed the larger prize. "We can't believe some idiot has \$800,000 and doesn't know it," David Thompson of Cincinnati said. "Those are the people who always win it." (EXPRESS)



KATSUMI KASHIWARA/AP

FINDS

You're as Old as Ice

It's ice, but it sure isn't fresh water. Hideaki Motoyama, project leader of the National Institute of Polar Research in Tokyo, showed a transparent ice block Wednesday that his team drilled and dug out from 1.86 miles under Antarctica in January. Motoyama said scientists could analyze the air trapped inside the million-year-old ice core, thought to be the oldest ice ever retrieved, to get clues on the Earth's environmental changes over the centuries. (AP)

TWO BIRDS, ONE STONE
Now She Won't Need A Going-Away Party
An Oldham, England, woman was fired from her job minutes after receiving

a gold watch and praise for 25 years of service, the Sun reported. Shirley Ogden was given the gift by her managing director, who gave a speech to staff calling her



hard-working and flexible. He then called her into his office and told her she was fired, in part because she was not flexible enough. She left with the watch, photos of the small ceremony, and a termination letter. (EXPRESS)

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"Americans must be prepared for violence to continue in Iraq, even after a government is formed. There will be no Iraqi equivalent of V-E Day or V-J Day." —Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, on Iraq war expectations.



Nation

In Brief

DURHAM, N.C.

Police Search Duke Players' Dorms in Rape Investigation

Police searched the dorm rooms of two Duke University lacrosse players after the two were arrested on charges of raping and kidnapping an exotic dancer during an off-campus team party. District Attorney Mike Nifong said Tuesday he also hoped to link a third man to the alleged attack soon, but he said that person had not been "identified with certainty." (AP)

BOSTON

Audit Shows Archdiocese Running \$46M Deficit

The scandal-battered Boston Archdiocese released a two-year audit Wednesday that showed it running a \$46.3-million deficit. Cardinal Sean O'Malley warned the shortfall is threatening Roman Catholic work in the community. The audit, which covered the 2004 and 2005 fiscal years, also shows assets of nearly \$330 million. (AP)

TOLEDO, OHIO

Judge: Ten Commandments Can Remain at Courthouse

A Ten Commandments monument that has stood on the courthouse lawn for almost 50 years does not promote religion and can remain in place, a federal judge ruled. U.S. District Judge James Carr said Tuesday that the monument can stay because the motives for placing it outside the Lucas County courthouse were secular. (AP)

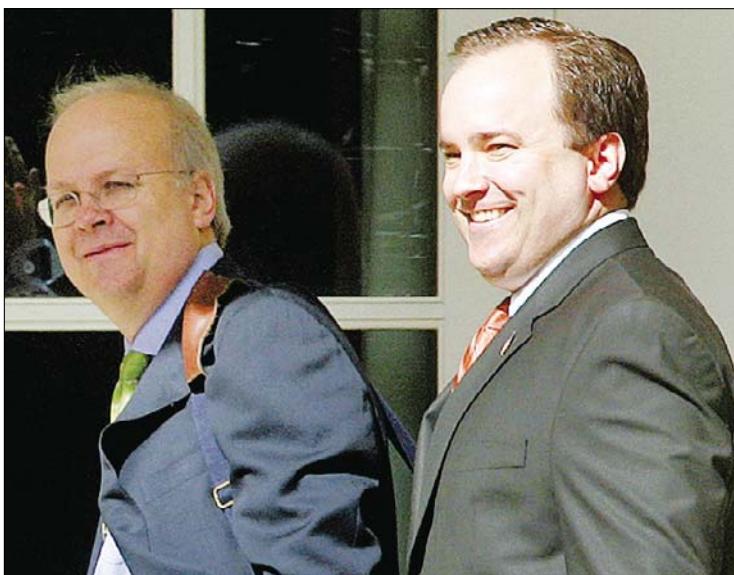
Rove Surrenders Role in Shake-Up

White House adviser drops policy job, press secretary to step down

WASHINGTON | White House political mastermind Karl Rove surrendered a key policy role Wednesday and press secretary Scott McClellan resigned in an escalation of a Bush administration shake-up driven by Republican anxieties.

Rove gave up his responsibilities as chief policy coordinator, a position he assumed just over a year ago that strengthened his influence over matters ranging from homeland security and domestic policy to the economy and national security. The promotion had left him stretched too thin in the eyes of some officials, as the White House grappled with mounting problems.

With Wednesday's change, Rove will be able to focus more on politics, fundraising and big-picture thinking with the approach of the November congressional elections,



RONEDMOND/SAP

ROLE PLAY: Karl Rove, left, and Scott McClellan, right, walk to the White House on Wednesday. Rove is giving up his policy portfolio and McClellan is resigning.

officials said.

A major force in the administration from the start, Rove still is expected to have a big voice in policy but not the day-to-day oversight. Those responsibilities will shift to

Joel Kaplan, who was promoted to deputy chief of staff from the No. 2 job in the White House budget office where he had served as Joshua Bolten's lieutenant.

With the Iraq war hanging over

Turn the Beat Around

With crucial mid-term elections looming in the fall, strategists say the shake-up will create a sense of change and restore faith in Bush's leadership. | **Today, A Section**

IN **The Washington Post**

Bush, the White House has been rocked by mistakes and missteps — from an ill-fated Supreme Court nomination to a bungled response to Hurricane Katrina — that have resulted in the president's plunge in the polls to the lowest point since he took office. Nervous Republicans told Bush he needed fresh people with new ideas.

McClellan, the press secretary for nearly three years, was the public face of the White House and a vulnerable target in an administration trying to show off new people. He had been bloodied by contentious press briefings and media criticism about an administration loath to give up information. **TERENCE HUNT (AP)**

U.S. Releases Gitmo Detainee List

SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO | The U.S. government released the first list of detainees held at the Guantanamo Bay prison on Wednesday — the most extensive yet of the hundreds held there, nearly all labeled enemy combatants.

In all, 558 people were named in the list provided by the Pentagon in response to a

Freedom of Information lawsuit by The Associated Press. They were among the first swept up in the war on terrorism for suspected links to al Qaeda or the Taliban.

The list is the first official roster of Guantanamo detainees who passed through the Combatant Status Review Tribunal process in 2004 and 2005. (AP)

6 Waco Cultists To Leave Prison

WACO, TEXAS | Thirteen years after the Branch Davidians' armed standoff with federal agents ended in an inferno that killed nearly 80 people, six sect members who were sent to prison are about to be released from custody.

Most of those who will be freed

over the next two months escaped from the compound near Waco as it burned to the ground on April 19, 1993 — 51 days after a shootout that erupted when federal agents tried to arrest religious leader David Koresh for stockpiling weapons.

The six men went to federal prison for manslaughter, weapons offenses or both in connection with the shootout, which left four federal agents and six Davidians dead. (AP)

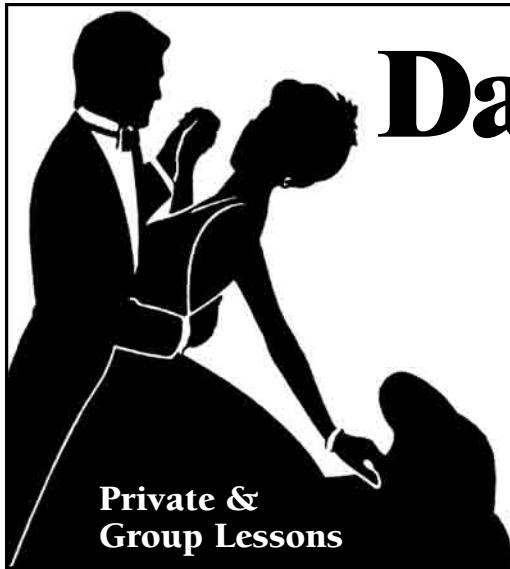
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9/11 Kin Testify for Terror Defendant

Victims' families ask Moussaoui jury to end 'sadness and anger'

ALEXANDRIA, VA | Two relatives of Sept. 11 victims testified for the defense Wednesday in Zacarias Moussaoui's death-penalty sentencing trial. One told the jury her family does not want to "get caught in a whirlpool of sadness and anger."

Medical sociologist Marilyn Rosenthal, whose son Josh was killed at the World Trade Center, said her family feels strongly "something good has to come out of what happened" and family members have endowed an annual lecture on 9/11 at the University of Michigan, where she teaches.

Robin Theurkauf, whose husband, Tom, died in the South Tower, also testified that "the Bible attempts to explain that we are all sinners, all broken people, but all children of God and loved by God."

Several members of the jury, which heard heart-rending tales during the prosecution case from almost four dozen victims and their relatives, leaned forward when they realized relatives were there to tes-

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Calif. Woman Diagnosed With Bubonic Plague

LOS ANGELES | LA woman is in stable condition with bubonic plague, the first confirmed human case in Los Angeles County since 1984, health officials said Tuesday.

The woman, who was not identified, was admitted to a hospital April 13 with a fever, swollen lymph nodes and other symptoms. A blood test confirmed the bacterial disease, and she was given antibiotics.

Bubonic plague is not contagious, but if left untreated it can morph into pneumonic plague, which is. Bubonic plague is usually transmitted to humans from the bites of fleas infected by rodents.

Health officials said they suspect the woman was exposed by fleas in her home and that there was no cause for alarm. An estimated 10 to 20 Americans contract plague each year.

Bubonic plague is believed to have been the "Black Death" that killed 25 million people in Europe between 1346 and 1351. (AP)



WHO KNEW? Scientists have found a fossil of a primitive snake that they believed lived on land, adding evidence to the theory that the creatures evolved on land as well. (AP)



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Police Rescue Trapped Tram Riders

Cable car passengers stuck over New York for nearly 12 hours

NEW YORK | A normally five-minute cable car ride turned into a nearly 12-hour ordeal for dozens of people who had to be rescued early Wednesday after two cars lost power over the East River.

The passengers from one car were plucked one by one and transferred to a rescue gondola shortly before dawn, while those in the second car, at the edge of Manhattan, were taken out with a crane.

At least a dozen of the 69 passengers were school-age children or babies who had boarded the tram at the start of rush hour Tuesday evening.

One young passenger described



TRAM JAM: Rescue personnel use a rescue basket to free some of the 69 commuters trapped in a Roosevelt Island Tram cable car in New York early Wednesday.

the mood in his car as almost festive, with people singing and telling jokes. Police delivered food, water and diapers to the passengers while

they waited. The boy's mother, Robbyn Maier said her 12-year-old son, Dax, was going to Roosevelt Island to play ten-

nis when he got stuck. She talked to him by cell phone.

"He's like a trooper through it all," she said. "He's really a little hero."

But, she added, "He's not coming this way to tennis anymore."

Of course, there were problems spending that much time in a cable car.

"Well, there was this one kid who peed in a cup," Dax told ABC's "Good Morning America."

He said he told himself not to look down while being rescued.

Officials were trying to determine what caused the 5:15 p.m. power outage on the Roosevelt Island Tramway, which offers breathtaking views of the city from up to 250 feet high, and is also a commuter route for island residents, said a representative from the agency that operates the system. ELIZABETH LESURE (AP)

Suspicious Box Found at Atlanta Airport Security

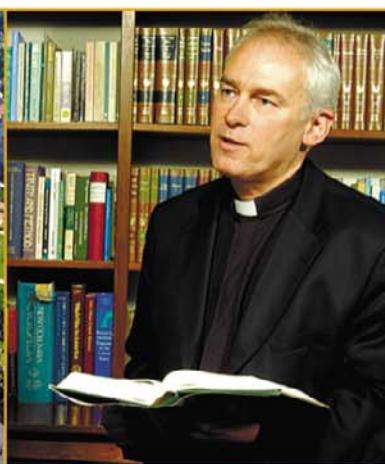
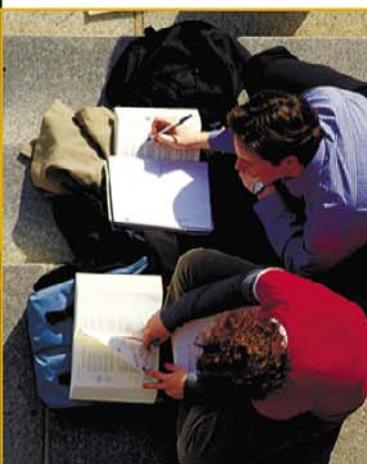
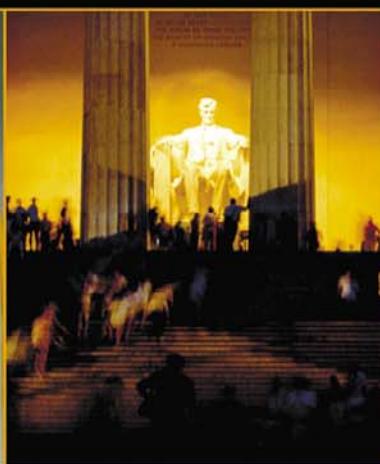
ATLANTA | Officials shut down all security checkpoints at Atlanta's Hartsfield-Jackson Airport after a "suspicious device" was detected in a screening machine.

The airport remained open while an airport explosive detection unit was called in, airport spokeswoman Felicia Browder said, but passengers not yet screened were unable to reach the gates for their flights.

Transportation Security Administration workers detected the suspicious item inside a bag just before 2 p.m., Browder said. She declined to comment further.

TSA spokeswoman Amy von Walter said a possible improvised explosive device had been detected at the large airport's main checkpoint. (AP)

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World



BUM RAP: German Chancellor Angela Merkel has no intention of taking legal action over an unflattering vacation picture printed by a British tabloid, a spokesman reports. The photo of Merkel's backside was snapped as she changed after a swim during a trip to Italy.

Iraqis Move to Convene Parliament

Citing Shiite support, al-Jaafari says again that he will not resign

BAGHDAD, IRAQ | Under U.S. pressure, Iraqi leaders decided Wednesday to convene parliament in a bid to jump-start formation of a new unity government, stalled for months over the choice of a prime minister.

But Shiite officials raised doubts whether the session — already postponed once this week — would take

place Thursday as planned. They said the seven-faction Shiite alliance would meet Thursday morning and decide whether to attend the afternoon session.

At least 17 people were killed Wednesday, police said, and the bodies of 10 other people were found in Baghdad and Kut — apparently the victims of reprisal killings by Shiite and Sunni extremists.

Parliament had been set to convene Monday, but the session was delayed to allow Shiite leaders time to resolve the deadlock over their



Prime Minister Ibrahim al-Jaafari said stepping down is "out of the question."

nomination of Prime Minister Ibrahim al-Jaafari for a second term. Sunni and Kurdish parties oppose al-Jaafari, blaming him for the surge in sectarian violence.

But al-Jaafari insisted Wednesday that he still enjoyed the support of the Shiite alliance, the dominant bloc in parliament, and would not step aside.

"As a matter of principle, I think the idea of making a concession is, for me at least, out of the question," he said at a nationally televised news conference. QASSIM ABDUL-ZAHRA (AP)

In Brief

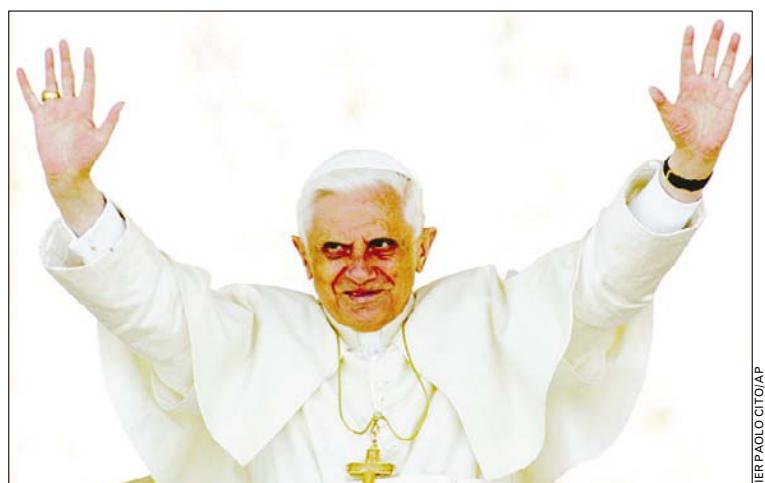


A woman in Rast, Romania, uses plastic sheeting for cover near the Danube.

SOFIA, BULGARIA

Heavy Rains Forecast for Flood-Hit Danube Region

Thousands of workers in Romania and Bulgaria were bolstering dikes and stacking sandbags along the Danube River, as floods threatened cities and farmland along the banks Wednesday. For a month, anti-flood defenses along the swollen Danube have held against high water pressure from melting snow and rains. But the situation was expected to worsen, as meteorologists predicted heavy rainfall in coming days. (AP)



Benedict XVI greets Vatican visitors on the first anniversary of his election as pope.

Benedict XVI Marks First Year as Pontiff

VATICAN CITY | Pope Benedict XVI marked his first year as pontiff Wednesday by asking for prayers to carry on as God's "gentle and firm" pastor — an appeal underscoring his efforts to unify the faithful while keeping to core church teaching.

A visibly moved Benedict told an estimated 50,000 people gathered for his weekly general audience in St. Peter's Square that his election had come as a "complete surprise" and that he couldn't do the job without their support.

"Thank you from the heart to all those who in various ways are near me or follow me spiritually with affection and prayers from afar," Benedict said to applause.

The comments were in many

ways classic Benedict: humble yet clear in showing his priorities.

Benedict's election immediately posed questions about the future of the church, since the former Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger was a polarizing figure. As prefect of the Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith, Ratzinger had been known as the Vatican's strict orthodoxy watchdog who disciplined theologians and tolerated little dissent.

But many of Ratzinger's liberal critics have been pleasantly surprised — particularly by what they say is his clear effort to be a unifying leader of the world's 1 billion Catholics, and his willingness to listen to contrary views.

Explosion Hits Near U.S. Embassy in Kabul

Rocket fire may have caused blast that injures Afghan worker

KABUL, AFGHANISTAN | A massive explosion believed to have been caused by a rocket shook the Afghan capital late Wednesday near the U.S. Embassy compound, wounding an Afghan security contractor, officials said.

U.S. Embassy spokesman Lou Fintor said the blast did not occur on embassy property, and no Americans were injured. Staff members rushed to a bunker in the compound after the 11 p.m. blast.

A U.S. counterterrorism official, who spoke on condition of anonymity because it is still early in the investigation, said the southwest side of the U.S. Embassy's compound was among the buildings struck in the rocket attack.

The blast occurred inside the grounds housing the state-run television offices, a police official at the scene said. The building is next to the heavily fortified embassy and the base for NATO-led forces in the capital.

The official, who also spoke on condition of anonymity, said the explosion apparently was caused by a rocket fired from southeast Kabul targeting the U.S. Embassy.

U.S. military spokesman Lt. Mike Cody said one Afghan security contractor was wounded. NATO-led troops in armored vehicles patrolled the area after the explosion.

The explosion comes amid increasingly brazen attacks targeting U.S.-led coalition military forces in Afghanistan, particularly across the country's south, where remnants of the toppled Taliban government have carried out increasing numbers of bombings and attacks. (AP)

HEARSAY | OIL POLITICS



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—IRANIAN PRESIDENT MAHMOUD AHMADINEJAD SAYING WEDNESDAY THAT CRUDE OIL PRICES, WHICH HAVE RISEN TO RECORD LEVELS, ARE STILL WELL BELOW THEIR "REAL VALUE"

SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA

Hyundai Chairman, Son to Donate \$1.1B Amid Scandal

Hyundai Motor Co. said Wednesday its chairman and his son will donate \$1.1 billion worth of personal assets to the public amid a slush fund scandal engulfing South Korea's largest automaker. Hyundai made the announcement in a statement, saying it "apologizes" for causing concerns to the public. Hyundai Motor is headed by Chung Mong-koo. Kia Motors Corp., its affiliate, is led by his son Chung Eui-sun. (AP)

CAIRO, EGYPT

Probe Into Ferry Disaster Blames Safety Body, Owner

An investigation into the February sinking of a Red Sea ferry, which cost more than 1,000 lives, has blamed the ship's owners, a maritime safety body and the Egyptian government, a news agency reported Wednesday. The probe found there was a "wicked collaboration" between the safety body and the ferry's owners which meant the craft was not observing "minimum safety requirements," the Middle East News Agency reported. (AP)



BURN OUT: A snowman-like effigy that was to be burnt next week in Zurich's annual festival to kill off the evil spirit of winter has been stolen, officials report. A radical group said it was behind the theft of this year's "Boeoegg"—an effigy standing over 10 feet tall.

World

Italian Court Confirms Prodi's Win

But Berlusconi does not concede, allies say they may appeal ruling

ROME | A top Italian court on Wednesday confirmed the slim electoral victory of Romano Prodi in the lower house of parliament, prompting the center-left leader to proclaim anew that he had won the overall election and Premier Silvio Berlusconi's allies to say they might appeal.

Berlusconi, who has been refusing to concede, made no public comment about the court's decision.

"Finally the electoral affair is over," Prodi told reporters at his Rome headquarters. "Italians have no more doubts about our victory."

The Court of Cassation, which is conducting a review of contested ballots from this month's parliamentary election, said Prodi had won the lower house by about 24,000 votes — a margin virtually



Romano Prodi flashes the victory sign at a press conference in Rome Wednesday.

unchanged from the one previously announced.

The review of disputed ballots for the upper house was still under way, delaying official certification of the results of the April 9-10 election. However, the small number of contested ballots in the Senate was not expected to reverse Prodi's slim victory in that chamber either.

Berlusconi's party, Forza Italia, announced late Wednesday it could appeal the court's decision to parliamentary committees and to a regional administrative court in Lazio, the region that includes Rome, according to Italian news agencies. MARIA SANMINIATELLI (AP)



SPEAKING OUT: A pro-democracy supporter participates in a rally against King Gyanendra in Katmandu, Nepal, Wednesday.

Nepalese Forces Shoot 4 Protesters

Fears of more fatalities rise as opposition plans mass rally on Thursday

KATMANDU, NEPAL | Nepal's crisis grew bloodier Wednesday with security forces fatally shooting four pro-democracy protesters as the royal government attempted to head off a confrontation with the opposition by imposing an 18-hour curfew on the capital.

Two weeks of often-bloody opposition protests and a general strike against palace rule have paralyzed Nepal, leaving cities short of food

and fuel and the country as volatile as it's been since the king seized power 14 months ago.

The royal government has responded harshly, claiming Nepal's communist insurgents — who are now allied with the opposition — have infiltrated rallies to sow violence. Police have arrested thousands of protesters.

The shootings Wednesday made it the bloodiest day since the campaign began April 6. A total of 10 Nepalis have now been slain in this Hindu kingdom once known as Shangri-La, a magnet for Westerners seeking Eastern spiritual

and mountaineers looking to scale peaks like Mt. Everest.

Details were scant, but officials claimed security forces only opened fire after being shot at by protesters, who were also hurling bricks in the town of Chandragadi, about 310 miles southeast of Katmandu. The government has made such claims in the past, although no shootings by protesters have been independently verified.

Wednesday's shootings buoyed fears of coming bloodshed as the opposition planned to bring 100,000 people Thursday onto the ring road that skirts Katmandu. (AP)

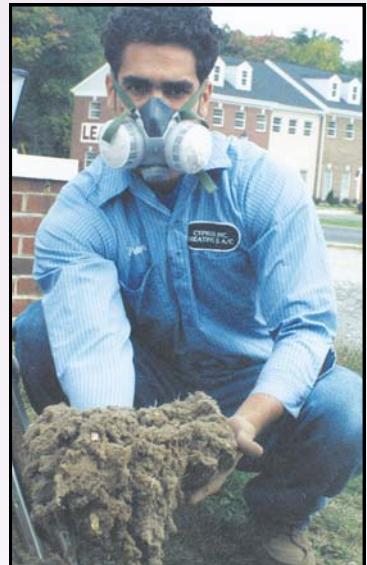
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Filmfest DC, Washington's international film festival, kicked off this week and will show more than 70 features from countries representing nearly every continent.

Participating films embody the culture, politics and music of nations such as Australia, Brazil, China, Ghana and India. Highlights of the festival include two film series which explore the resurgence of Brazilian film and influence of Hip-Hop culture. The festival runs through April 30 and includes movie premieres and discussions with directors. Tickets for most film screenings are \$9 each and can be purchased at Tickets.com or by calling 800-955-5566. All screening locations are Metro accessible. For more information and a complete list of films, visit FilmfestDC.org. And don't forget to plan your trip at MetroOpensDoors.com.



WalkingTown Tour Features Metro Behind the Scenes

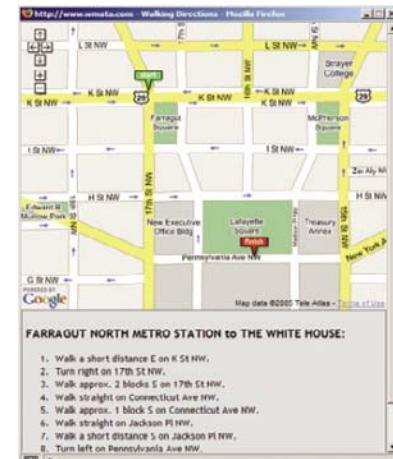
Take a free neighborhood walking tour this weekend with WalkingTown DC and explore the city's vibrant street life and little-known historic treasures. A special tour from 9 to 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 22, features a behind the scenes look at Metro. Go underground with Dan Tangherlini, Metro's interim general manager, and learn about the city's transportation network. The tour begins at Metro Center station, 13th Street exit. The Metro tour is just one of 52 free walking tours presented by Cultural Tourism DC. For more information, visit WalkingTownDC.org.

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Come Learn About Upcoming Metro Projects That Could Affect You

The first public hearing is on the proposed construction of the new Silver Spring Transit Center. It happens Monday, April 24, at 7 p.m. at the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Montgomery Regional Office Auditorium, 8787 Georgia Avenue in Silver Spring, Maryland.

Metrorail: Silver Spring station on the Red Line. **Metrobus:** 70, 71, F4, F6, J1, J2, J3, J4, J5, Q2, S2, S4, Y8, Y9, Z6, Z8, Z13 or Z29.

The second public hearing addresses the proposed adjustments to passenger fares, and parking fees on four federal holidays. Also proposed is the elimination of selected Metrobus service. The hearing is Tuesday, April 25, at 7 p.m. at the Arlington County Board Office, Courthouse Metro Building, 2100 Clarendon Blvd, 3rd Floor in Arlington, Virginia.

Metrorail: Court House station on the Orange Line. **Metrobus:** 38B.

The third public hearing is on the environmental evaluation and general plans for the new Glenmont parking garage structure. It takes place Wednesday, April 26, at 7:30 p.m. at the Stella B. Warner Council Office Building, Seventh Floor, 100 Maryland Avenue in Rockville, Maryland.

Metrorail: Rockville station on the Red Line. **Metrobus:** T2 or Q2.





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—Va. Lt. Gov. Bill Bolling, who was criticized for writing an editorial critical of the Senate

Local

Forced Servitude Sentence

Darnestown woman gets jail for using girl as involuntary servant

GREENBELT | A Montgomery County woman convicted of holding a Nigerian girl and forcing her to work as an unpaid servant has been sentenced to seven years in federal prison and will be deported after that time.

U.S. District Judge Peter J.

Messitte listened to a statement from the now-23-year-old victim before sentencing Adaobi Stella Udeozor on Tuesday. The victim had been taken from her family in Nigeria when she was 14 under the false belief that she was being adopted to attend school in the United States, according to evidence presented in federal court.

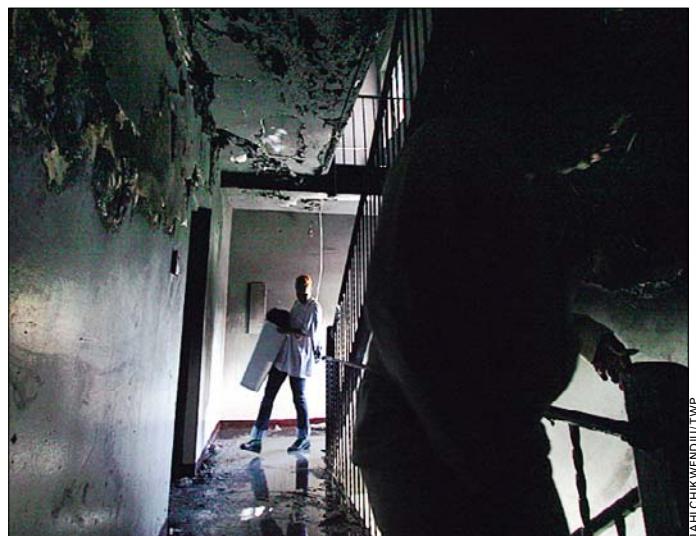
She was subsequently raped by the man who took her from her family and abused by his wife, accord-

ing to prosecutors.

"I want to make Stella pay the price for what she did to me," the young woman told the judge.

Udeozor, a physician who lives in Darnestown, was convicted of conspiracy and harboring an alien for financial gain in 2004. A jury acquitted her of forcing the girl to work as a domestic slave but made a special finding that the girl had been held in involuntary servitude for more than a year. (AP)

WASHINGTON | FIRE AFTERMATH



ALL IS NOT LOST: Margaret Gibson, left, helps her sister salvage belongings from her fire-damaged home Wednesday after several families were displaced by an early morning blaze on 302 Livingston Terrace, SE.

Five Indicted in Conspiracy to Fraud

GREENBELT | A federal grand jury has indicted five Maryland residents in a scheme to defraud an investment firm of more than \$90,000, the U.S. Attorney's office said Wednesday.

The indictment says Tonya Tyson, 37, of Suitland, was a sales

associate with Ferris, Baker Watts in Washington, and, with the other defendants, conspired to forge documents to transfer money from a customer's account into an account controlled by Ugochukwu Onwudiegwu, 34, of Baltimore. (AP)

The Lotteries

Wednesday, April 19

DISTRICT

Mid-day Lucky Numbers **7-4-4**
Mid-day DC 4 **5-2-3-8**

MARYLAND

Mid-day Pick 3	3-7-4
Mid-day Pick 4	3-3-1-8
VIRGINIA	
Mid-day Pick 3 (Wed.)	8-6-2
Evening Pick 3 (Tues.)	2-6-2
Mid-day Pick 4 (Wed.)	6-4-7-2
Evening Pick 4 (Tues.)	7-8-6-6
Mid-day Cash 5 (Wed.)	2-11-12-22-26

Evening Cash 5 (Tues.) **6-9-21-22-33**

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Mega Millions (Tues.) **13-14-25-34-50**
Mega Ball **6**

All winning numbers are official only when validated at a lottery ticket location or a lottery claims office. Drawings that occur after Express's deadline will be published two days later.

In Brief

ROCKVILLE

MARC Train Service Halted After Pedestrian Hit, Killed

Rail service was halted Wednesday on MARC's Brunswick Line after a pedestrian was struck and killed by a train in Rockville. Montgomery County police spokeswoman Lucille Baur said a female was hit about 4 p.m. on the CSX tracks near the intersection of Parklawn Drive and Randolph Road. MARC said the railroad was closed until police completed their investigation and

trains were held in Washington until the railroad was re-opened. (AP)

WASHINGTON

Two Women Die When Car Crashes Into a Utility Pole

D.C. police said two Alexandria women were killed in a car crash Wednesday when the driver slammed into a utility pole in Southeast. Police say the driver, 20-year-old Shareese Bowen of Duke Street, apparently lost control of the car at the intersection of Martin Luther King Avenue and Lebaum Street. Bowen was killed along with 18-year-old Courtland Stasiewicz of Phoenix Mill Place. (AP)

Anacostia Hospital to Get Review

Task force will look at whether new facility would be best option

WASHINGTON | D.C. officials are appointing a task force to re-examine a proposal to build a \$400 million dollar hospital on the banks of the Anacostia River.

Mayor Anthony Williams said the panel will be asked to determine whether there are other options, such as a less expensive urgent-care or other facility.

The panel also will be charged with identifying the city's most pressing health care needs, and recommending steps to promote the financial stability of the city's hospitals.

The mayor had been a chief supporters of the National Capital Medical Center — a joint project with Howard University to be built on the grounds of now-closed D.C. General Hospital. (AP)

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Money

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The approximate number of Ohio taxpayers who will not be penalized for mailing their federal returns late because of a newspaper's flub on post office hours, the IRS said. The Plain Dealer misprinted the closing times of 3 suburban locales.

Consumer Prices Climb in March

WASHINGTON | Consumer prices rose sharply in March, reflecting higher costs for everything from gasoline to clothes and hotel rooms. Perhaps most troubling, core inflation, which does not include energy and food, rose at the fastest pace in a year.

The Labor Department reported Wednesday that its Consumer Price Index rose by 0.4 percent last month, up sharply from the modest 0.1 percent gain in February. The extra price pressures were led by a big jump in gasoline prices.

With oil prices climbing to record levels above \$70 per barrel this week, analysts said motorists should brace for more pain at the pump.

Excluding energy and food, core inflation rose by 0.3 percent in March, the biggest gain since a similar increase in March 2005. This acceleration reflected higher prices paid by renters, the biggest jump in clothing costs in seven years and a large increase in airline ticket prices. (AP)



Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
LearCorp	21.29	+2.83	+15.3
WolvWW	23.91	+3.18	+15.3
Valmont	49.76	+6.26	+14.4
NL Inds	11.41	+1.41	+14.1
vjGrace	16.17	+1.96	+13.8

Losers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Katylnd h	2.80	-.44	-13.6
ExprsJet	6.11	-.82	-11.8
Mesab	23.48	-2.36	-9.1
AMCOL	29.15	-2.49	-7.9
SonocoP	31.98	-2.40	-7.0

Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	7.75	7.75
Fed Funds close	4.75	4.75
3-month disc	4.60	4.59
2-year	4.85	4.91
10-year	5.03	4.98
30-year	5.12	5.06

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
US EnSys	3.68	+.61	+19.9
KnighCap	17.16	+2.78	+19.3
Travelzoo	33.75	+5.16	+18.0
Maxco	8.25	+1.26	+17.9
RepubAir	16.42	+2.37	+16.9

Losers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Vitesse	2.48	-.63	-20.3
StdMic	21.00	-4.94	-19.0
ChemGnx n	6.71	-1.39	-17.2
SORL n	7.49	-1.51	-16.8
BttmInT	11.48	-2.11	-15.5

Currency

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.5582	.5620	.5213
Canadian Dollar	1.1355	1.1407	1.2414
European Euro	.8078	.8123	.7662
Japanese Yen	117.28	117.29	106.90
Mexican Peso	10.9670	10.9440	11.0730
Taiwanese Dollar	32.40	32.47	31.51

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Bank Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
AustNZ	102.37	+.42	+16.3
BcoSnCH	14.52	+.05	+10.1
BkofAm	46.05	+.09	-.2
BkNova g	40.50	+.07	+2.2
Citigrp	48.23	-.25	-.6
DeutschBk	117.90	+1.07	+21.7
JPMorgCh	42.62	+.02	+7.4
MitsuUFJ	15.73	-.28	+14.9
RoyalBk gs	42.18	+.06	+8.2
TorDBk g	56.18	+.43	+6.6
UBS AG	116.40	+.84	+22.3
US Bancrp	30.50	-.05	+2.0
Wachovia	56.32	+.14	+6.5
WA Mutl	44.68	+.22	+2.7
WellsFren	64.73	-.33	+3.0

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PRESSIN' PRESTON: Wonder why the nationals let Preston Wilson sign with the Astros? The slugger followed up his record five-strikeout performance Monday by striking out in his first two at-bats Tuesday, bringing the total to seven straight.

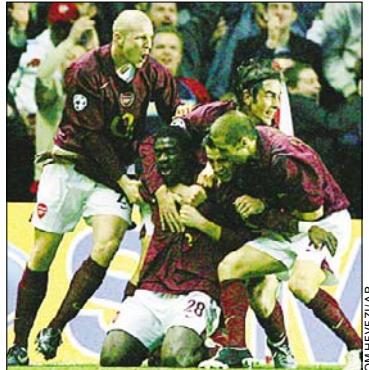
Sports

In Brief

NFL

49ers Deal for a Second Pick in First Round of Draft

The San Francisco 49ers added a second first-round pick in next week's NFL draft by trading second- and third-round picks to Denver on Wednesday for the 22nd pick in the draft. The first-rounder traded by the Broncos was their second in that round. They also have No. 15, obtained from Atlanta in a three-way deal with the New York Jets that sent defensive end John Abraham to the Falcons. (AP)



Arsenal players surround Kolo Toure after scoring the lone goal Wednesday.

SOCER

Arsenal Nears League Final With Victory Over Villarreal

Kolo Toure scored the lone goal Wednesday, giving Arsenal a 1-0 win over Villarreal in the first leg of the Champions League semifinals and a huge boost in its quest to reach the final of Europe's No. 1 soccer competition for the first time. It was the ninth straight Champions League game in which Arsenal has not allowed a goal. (AP)

GOLF

Nelson Joins Hall of Fame

Larry Nelson, overlooked as a Ryder Cup captain and often forgotten despite his remarkable journey from Vietnam War veteran to three-time major champion, finally got his due Wednesday when he was elected into the World Golf Hall of Fame. He will be inducted Oct. 30 at the World Golf Village in St. Augustine, Fla., along with the late Henry Picard, selected through the veteran's category; and Vijay Singh, who deferred his induction after being elected last year. (AP)

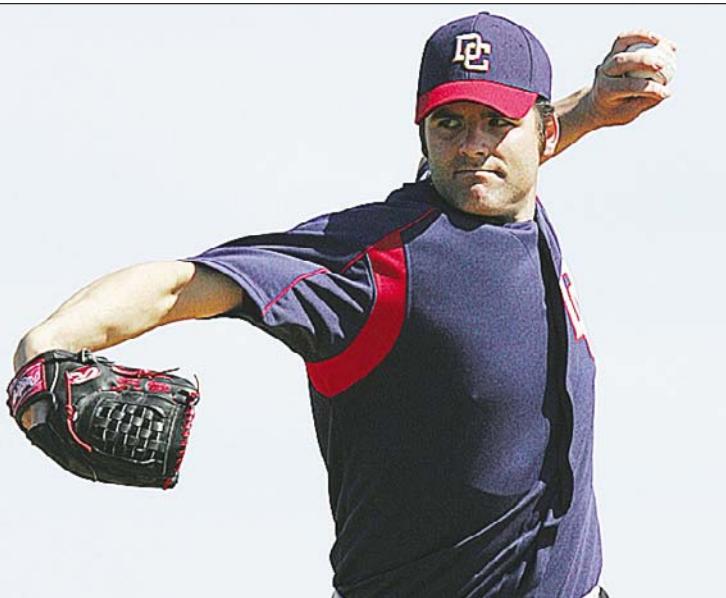
Traber Set to Make Season Debut

Lefty takes turn in Nats' injury-riddled rotation vs. Phillies

NATS NOTEBOOK | The Washington Nationals' rotating rotation adds another member tonight when left-hander Billy Traber gets his first start.

Traber replaces Ryan Drese, who replaced Pedro Astacio, as the team's already thin rotation has taken a couple of hits in the season's opening weeks. Drese suffered a flexor tendon strain on Friday and will be out four to six weeks. He represents the third Nationals starter on the disabled list, joining Astacio and Brian Lawrence.

Drese's misfortune provides an opportunity for Traber, who hasn't pitched in the big leagues since 2003 when he underwent ligament replacement surgery. The injury cost him the entire 2004 season and he spent 2005 working his way back through the minors in the



JONATHAN NEWTON/TWP

Billy Traber, who threw a one-hitter against the Yankees in 2003, is scheduled to make his first big-league start in over two years when the Nats play the Phillies.

Cleveland organization.

But Traber is no stranger to success at the game's highest level. In July 2003, he tossed a one-hit shutout against the New York

Yankees, striking out five and walking none.

Traber joined the Nationals as a minor-league free agent in the off-season. In 11 innings with Triple-A

New Orleans, he struck out 16 and posted a 2.45 earned run average.

RUB SOME DIRT ON IT: With a little help from Pedro Martinez, the Nationals are baseball's best team in at least one category: getting hit by pitchers. Through Wednesday, Nationals hitters have taken one for the team 14 times. The Milwaukee Brewers are second with 10. Though he has missed several games, right fielder Jose Guillen has been plunked four times, the most in baseball. Reserve outfielder Marlon Byrd has been hit three times. Alfonso Soriano has been hit only once, but it was a good one — a fastball to the helmet courtesy of Mets rookie Brian Bannister.

ROAD TESTED: Thursday's game represents the end of a brutal early-season stretch that put the Nationals on the road for 13 of their first 16 games. The team returns to RFK Stadium Friday for a six-game homestand against Atlanta and Cincinnati. DEREK TURNER

something special happens.

What was it like growing up with a dad who played Major League Baseball [two-time American League All-Star Gary Ward]?

It just made me know what I wanted to do with my life. From a young age I knew I was going to play baseball. My cousins said [when I was growing up] 'Man, you used to write your name and autograph it everywhere.' I was practicing that at 11 years old.

What do you do off the field?

I read some books to help me improve myself mentally on a daily basis and get to know what type of mind I have. I like to read books on the conscious and subconscious mind and what you can accomplish mentally.

Do the books help on the field?

Oh yeah. It helps you to believe in yourself. No matter what's around you, it doesn't affect you unless you let it. ... It takes someone with a strong mind [to come off the bench and hit]. ERIC BRANDNER



Off the Field

Nationals pinch hitter DARYLE WARD

Q&A | Whether it's between the baselines or at home in his favorite reading spot, Daryle Ward likes to go deep. The Nats' pinch hitter extraordinaire's 10th-inning homer off Houston closer Brad Lidge demonstrated why manager Frank Robinson kept the 30-year-old slugger on the team this spring. Ward says providing power in key late-inning situations requires some heavy mental lifting off the field, too.

What's the mentality you've got to bring to the park when you've got to hang around eight innings and then make an at-bat?

I think of it as if I'm playing every day. If it's just one (at-bat), I definitely don't want to waste it. [When pinch hitting,] you've just got to find some type of routine that works for you that will keep you loose throughout the game — if



CHRIS GARDNER/TWP

Daryle Ward has hit two home runs in a reserve role for the Nationals this season.

You're still the only player to hit the ball into the Allegheny River at PNC Park in Pittsburgh on the fly. What was that like coming off the bat?

It was a line drive that got over the stands and had a good backspin on it and kept going. I didn't know it went into the water until I

"From a young age I knew I was going to play baseball."

saw the guys on the last row of the bleachers put their hands up in the air. I knew I'd accomplished something because they're not going to do that for a visiting team unless

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TO TELL THE TRUTH: Romanian soccer club National Bucharest reportedly asked its players and staff to take lie detector tests to prove they haven't been involved in match fixing. Manager Constantin Iacov informed players of the test after the team lost two consecutive matches 1-0 to lowly Jiul and Vaslui.

Sports

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST W L PCT. GB HOME ROAD

Boston	10	4	.714	—	5-3	5-1
Toronto	7	6	.538	2.5	4-3	3-3
Baltimore	8	7	.533	2.5	5-6	3-1
Tampa Bay	7	7	.500	3	4-3	3-4
N.Y. Yankees	6	7	.462	3.5	3-0	3-7

CENTRAL W L PCT. GB HOME ROAD

Chicago	9	5	.643	—	5-3	4-2
Cleveland	9	5	.643	—	4-2	5-3
Detroit	7	7	.500	2	2-5	5-2
Minnesota	6	7	.462	2.5	5-2	1-5
Kansas City	2	11	.154	6.5	2-3	0-8

WEST W L PCT. GB HOME ROAD

L.A. Angels	7	7	.500	—	4-2	3-5
Oakland	7	7	.500	—	4-3	3-4
Texas	6	8	.429	1	2-5	4-3
Seattle	6	9	.400	1.5	3-5	3-4

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST W L PCT. GB HOME ROAD

N.Y. Mets	10	3	.769	—	7-3	3-0
Atlanta	7	8	.467	4	3-3	4-5
Philadelphia	5	8	.385	5	1-6	4-2
Washington	5	9	.357	5.5	0-3	5-6
Florida	4	9	.308	6	2-4	2-5

CENTRAL W L PCT. GB HOME ROAD

Houston	10	4	.714	—	7-2	3-2
Chicago	8	5	.615	1.5	4-2	4-3
Cincinnati	8	6	.571	2	5-3	3-3
St. Louis	8	6	.571	2	4-2	4-4
Milwaukee	7	7	.500	3	5-1	2-6
Pittsburgh	5	11	.313	6	4-5	1-6

WEST W L PCT. GB HOME ROAD

San Fran.	8	5	.615	—	4-2	4-3
Colorado	8	6	.571	.5	3-5	5-1
L.A. Dodgers	7	8	.467	2	3-5	4-3
Arizona	6	8	.429	2.5	3-5	3-3
San Diego	5	8	.385	3	1-4	4-4

Standings through April 18's games

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Braves Top Mets in Series

Hudson tosses a gem in Atlanta's second straight win in N.Y.

BASEBALL | The big question in the NL East early this season is whether Atlanta still has enough pitching to hold off the New York Mets.

Winners of 14 straight division titles, the Braves delivered an emphatic answer this week.

Tim Hudson took a one-hit shutout into the ninth inning before finishing with a three-hit gem, and Atlanta got another big homer from Andruw Jones in a 2-1 victo-



Tim Hudson allowed only three hits in the Braves' 2-1 victory over the Mets.

ry Wednesday over the Mets.

It was the second stellar outing in a row for the Braves, who also got a three-hitter from 22-year-old Kyle Davies in a 7-1 win Tuesday night. "It's good to see our starting pitchers go out and perform the way they did the past two days," Jones said. "I'm really proud of the way they've been pitching."

Jones hit his fifth homer in four games for the Braves, who took two of three in the first series this season between the NL East rivals. The Mets fell to 10-4 — they won their opening four series for the first time in franchise history. (AP)

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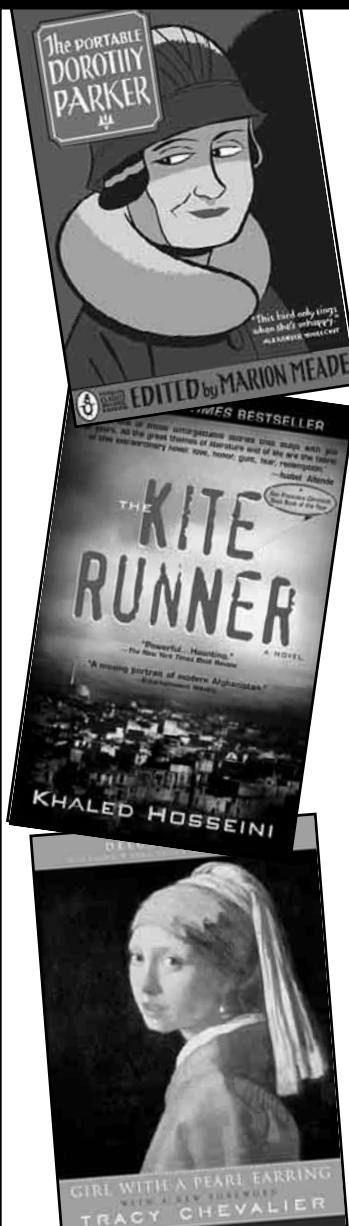
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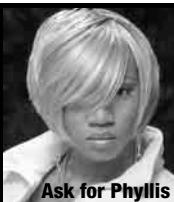
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Alex Ovechkin got plenty of high fives while scoring 106 points in his rookie season.

Caps End Season On the Right Note

Strong finish hints at improvement during Ovechkin's second year

CAPITALS | The Washington Capitals season is finished, just as the team seemed to be getting started.

Victories over Atlanta (6-3 on Monday) and Tampa Bay (4-1 on Tuesday) gave the Caps a 7-4-4 record since embarking on a seven-game road trip one month ago, and a respectable 10-9-7 mark since the Olympic break. For a team with little talent and even less to play for, it was a satisfying way to end a trying 29-41-12 season.

"We aren't a playoff team in points but we are a playoff team in spirit, work ethic, togetherness and some of the intangibles teams and organizations take years [to develop]," a proud Caps Coach Glen Hanlon said after Monday's win. "They played to their full potential. That's all you can ask of your team."

Obviously, there will be changes as the club continues rebuilding

around goaltender Olie Kolzig and winger Alexander Ovechkin, who finished his rookie season third in NHL scoring with 52 goals and 54 assists. As a team that shed nearly all of its high-salaries prior to last year's implementation of a cap and employed a host of young players and journeymen, the Caps should have more than \$10 million to play with. Although don't expect anything dramatic — owner Ted Leonsis has said repeatedly he intends to remain cautious.

The most obvious area of concern is the Caps abysmal special teams. The club's improvement in even-strength play was overshadowed by a power play that was the NHL's fifth-worst and a penalty kill that ranked two spots lower.

"We have a very good goalie and every single night we have the opportunity to win a hockey game. If we stay out of the box and [special teams] can improve, we'll look at jumping out to a good start," Hanlon said. "We have a lot of work to do....It's a tall task, but I have confidence."

BRIAN STRAUS

BY THE NUMBERS: The Washington Capitals have a 10.7 percent chance — the fourth-best percent — of winning the NHL draft lottery, which is Thursday at noon. The St. Louis Blues, owners of the worst record in the NHL this year, have a 25 percent chance, followed by the Pittsburgh Penguins (18.8 percent) and Chicago Blackhawks (14.2). (EXPRESS)

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Sox Add to Royals' Misery

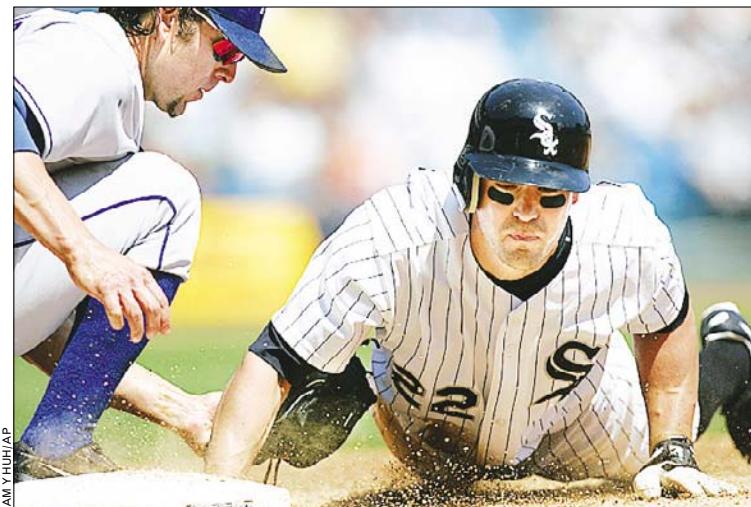
Vazquez takes no-hit bid into 7th inning in K.C.'s 10th straight loss

BASEBALL | Javier Vazquez's no-hit bid ended in the seventh inning on Doug Mientkiewicz's checked swing roller down the third-base line. There was nothing he could do as the ball went slowly up the line.

Vazquez sent the Kansas City Royals to their 10th straight loss, pitching into the ninth inning of a 4-0 victory by the Chicago White Sox on Wednesday.

The reeling Royals, who had a 19-game losing streak late last season, managed one run and 11 hits in the three-game series against Chicago. Kansas City's 2-12 start is its second-slowest behind 1992, when the Royals lost 16 of their first 17, and Royals starting pitchers are 0-9 this season.

There was one out in the seventh when Vazquez and third baseman Joe Crede watched Mientkiewicz's roller spin up the dirt portion of the baseline. Vazquez, the newest member



Chicago's Scott Podsednik, right, dives back to first as Kansas City first baseman Doug Mientkiewicz applies a tag too late. The White Sox won 4-0 on Wednesday.

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of Chicago's rotation, was given an ovation by the crowd. He got an even louder one in the ninth after he gave up a leadoff single to Esteban German and was replaced by Neal Cotts, who immediately gave up another single, to pinch-hitter John Buck.

Bobby Jenks got the final two outs for his sixth save, sealing Chicago's ninth win in 10 games. RICK GANO (AP)

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Sports

2 Terps Declare For the NBA Draft

Ibekwe, Strawberry won't hire agents, will likely return to U-Md.

TERPS HOOPS | Maryland basketball players Ekene Ibekwe and D.J. Strawberry will test the NBA waters by making themselves eligible for the draft before the April 29 deadline for non-seniors, according to two sources in California close to both players.

Both players are expected to pull out of the draft before the June 18 deadline and return to school for their senior seasons. Neither will hire an agent, the sources said.

"D.J. will return to Maryland," Strawberry's mentor DeAnthony Langston said. "He is doing this for the workouts, the competition."



Strawberry, right, chases down a loose ball. He won't play point guard next year.

Ibekwe averaged 11.1 points and a team-high 6.6 rebounds during his junior season. Forced to play point guard, Strawberry struggled at times as a junior, averaging 10.3 points and four assists. Strawberry is expected to play shooting guard or small forward, his more natural positions, next season at Maryland.

ERIC PRISBELL (THE WASHINGTON POST)

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

BASEBALL (3 P.M. ON CSN) Erik Bedard looks for his fourth win this season when the Orioles host the Cleveland Indians.

BASEBALL (7 P.M. ON MASN) Billy Traber makes his first start when the Nationals conclude their series with the Philadelphia Phillies.

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Artists have enjoyed sales boosts even when they didn't sing on the show, which began in June 2002, said Geoff Mayfield, senior analyst for Billboard magazine. Lionel Richie appeared as a guest judge during the early "Idol" days and saw sales of his greatest-hits collections shoot up, Mayfield said.

In fact, stars don't even have to appear on "Idol" to enjoy a sales spike. Sales of two Keith Urban singles increased more than 20 percent after contestants performed the songs on the show, Foster said.

"It's just those songs reaching a new audience," he said.

SANDY COHEN (AP)



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Sen. Kennedy on 'Daily Show'

The veteran senator takes the hot seat on the late-night satire

TOUGH QUESTIONS | Senator Edward M. Kennedy has pretty much done it all during his four decades in the Senate.

But this week, the legislator is venturing into a new frontier — late-night comedy.

The patriarch of one of America's most storied political families is slated to take a seat Thursday on "The Daily Show With Jon Stewart," the parody news show on Comedy Central.



Edward Kennedy spoke at an immigration-rights rally earlier this month.

Until now, the senior senator, 74, has restricted his talk-show appearances mainly to the Sunday-morning news shows.

"Senator Kennedy has been waiting for the right invitation," said Stephanie Cutter, a Kennedy adviser. "He's a huge fan of Jon Stewart and he's very much looking forward to this."

The Massachusetts Democrat has been making the interview rounds in recent weeks touting his new book, "America Back on Track," which mixes personal recollections of his famous family with his agenda for reviving the nation. (AP)

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LOCAL CHANNELS	6:00 PM	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
WRC (4)	News (cc)	NBC Nightly News	Access Hollywood	Celebrity Cooking Showdown (N) ♦	My Name Is Earl	The Office (cc)	(9:59) ER "Dream House" (N) (cc)	News (cc)	Nova "A Daring Flight" (cc) (DVS)	News (cc)	Tonight Show	
WTTG (5)	Seinfeld (N) (cc)	The Simpsons (N)	Seinfeld (N) (cc)	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	The O.C. "The College Try" (N) (cc)	News	Geraldo at Large	Friends (cc)	Friends (cc)		
WJLA (7)	News (cc)	ABC Wld News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	American Inventor (N) (cc)	American Inventor (N) (N) (cc)	(:01) Commander In Chief (N) (cc)	News (cc)	(:35) Nightline			
WUSA (9)	News (cc)	CBS News	9News Tonight	Ent. Tonight	Survivor: Panama -- Exile Island (N)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (N)	Without a Trace "More Than This" (N)	News (cc)	Late Show			
WDCA (20)	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	Friends (cc)	Every-Raymond	Hates Chris	Love, Inc. (N) (N)	Eve "Girlfriends" (N) (cc)	The Tyra Banks Show (N) (cc)	Girlfriends (cc)	Girlfriends (cc)		
WMPT (22)	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Business Rpt.	Business Conn.	MotorWeek (cc)	This Old House	Independent Lens "Almost Home" (N) (cc)	Independent Lens "Almost Home" (N) (cc)	Nova "A Daring Flight" (cc) (DVS)	Tuscan Hills			
WETA (26)	BBC World News	Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Globe Trekker "Arctic Canada" (cc)	Globe Trekker (N) (cc)	In the Wild (N) (cc)	In the Wild (N) (cc)	Charlie Rose (N) (cc)				
WHUT (32)	Tony Brown	Tavis Smiley (N)	BBC World News	Moneywise	On Africa	Three Faiths, One God: Judaism	BBC World News	Tavis Smiley (N)	Charlie Rose (N) (cc)			
WBDC (50)	Steve Harvey	The Parkers (N)	My Wife and Kids	Bernie Mac	Smallville "Mercy" (N) (N) (cc)	Supernatural "Dead Man's Blood" (N)	Bernie Mac	My Wife and Kids	Sex and the City	Will & Grace (N)		
A&E	American Justice "Murder Online" (N)	American Justice: Murder	Cold Case Files (cc)	The First 48 (cc)	Dallas SWAT (N) (cc)	Crossing Jordan (N) (cc)						
Animal	The Crocodile Hunter Diaries (cc)	The Most Extreme "Disguise" (cc)	Get Out There! (N)	The Planet's Funniest Animals (cc)	Animal Precinct "A Warm Home" (N)	Get Out There!						
BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live (cc)	BET Style (cc)	Lil Kim Lock.	College Hill (cc)	College Hill (N) (cc)	Comicview (cc)	Jamie Foxx	Jamie Foxx				
Bravo	Top Chef Gourmet sandwich. (cc)	The West Wing "The Portland Trip"	Inside the Actors Studio (cc)	Real Housewives of Orange County	Real Housewives of Orange County	Celebrity Cooking Showdown (cc)						
Comedy	(5:00) ★★ "The Hebrew Hammer"	Reno 911! (cc)	Reno 911! (cc)	Daily Show	Colbert Report	Chappelle's Show	South Park (cc)	South Park (cc)	David Spade	Daily Show	Colbert Report	
Court	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Cops (cc)	Cops (cc)	Hot Pursuit	Hot Pursuit	Body of Evidence	Body of Evidence	The Investigators "Tracing Audrey"	Hollywood Heat	Hollywood Heat	
Discovery	How It's Made	How It's Made (N)	Hurricane X (cc)	Perfect Disaster "Mega Flood" (cc)	Perfect Disaster "Super Typhoon"	Killer Hurricane: Anatomy of Katrina	Deadliest Catch "The Finish Line"					
DISCH	Paramedics "House Calls" (cc)	Trauma: Life in the ER "Total Divert"	Multiples & Mayhem (cc)	Mermaid Baby (cc)	Diagnosis: Unknown (cc)	Multiples & Mayhem (cc)						
Disney	That's So Raven	Zack & Cody	Phil of the Future	That's So Raven	★ ★ "The Cheetah Girls" (2003, Comedy-Drama) Raven, Lynn Whitfield. (cc)	Emperor New (cc)	Even Stevens	Zack & Cody	That's So Raven			
E!	Number 1 Single	Simple Life	E! News (N)	The Daily 10 (N)	Goldie & Kate: The E! True Hollywood Story (N) (cc)	Child Star Con.	Girl Next Door	Saturday Night Live (cc)				
FX	King of the Hill (N)	King of the Hill (N)	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	Cops (cc)	Cops (cc)	Cops "Arizona" (cc)	Cops (cc)	King of the Hill (N)	King of the Hill (N)		
HGTV	Renovation	Wknd Warriors	Curb Appeal	House Hunters	My First Place	reDesign	Divine Design (N)	Landscapers	House Hunters (N)	House Hunters	Design Inc. (N)	
Family	7th Heaven "Sunday" (N) (cc)	7th Heaven (N) (cc)	7th Heaven (N) (cc)	★ ★ "Blast From the Past" (1999) Brendan Fraser, Alicia Silverstone. (cc)	Whose Line?	Whose Line?	Whose Line?	Whose Line?	The 700 Club (cc)			
History	Marvels: Engineering Disasters 16	Engineering Disasters 5	Rome: Engineering an Empire (cc)	Decoding the Past (cc)	Declassified "The Tet Offensive"	Detectives: The Six Day War						
Lifetime	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	★ ★ "Love's Deadly Triangle: The Texas Cadet Murder" (1997, Drama) (cc)	"A Killing Spring" (2002, Mystery) Wendy Crewson, Michael Ontkean. (cc)	Will & Grace	Will & Grace						
MTV	Yo Momma (N) (N)	Parental Control	My Block: P.R.	Punk'd (N)	The Real World	The Real World	Yo Momma (N) (N)	Wild & Out (N)	Wild & Out (N)	Call to Greatness		
NICK	Ned's School	Danny Phantom	Fairly Oddparents	Jimmy Neutron	SpongeBob	Romeo! (N) (cc)	Full House (cc)	Fresh Prince	Roseanne (cc)	Mad About You	The Cosby Show	
SCI FI	Stargate SG-1 "The Other Side" (N)	★ ★ "Creature" (1998, Suspense) Craig T. Nelson, Kim Cattrall, Colm Feore. An amphibious monster threatens a scientist and his family. (cc)	★ ★ "Creature" (1998, Suspense) Craig T. Nelson, Kim Cattrall, Colm Feore. An amphibious monster threatens a scientist and his family. (cc)	Children of Dune (cc)								
SPIKE	MXC (N)	MXC (N)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (N)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (N)	UFC Unleashed (N) (cc)	The Ultimate Fighter (N) (cc)	TNA iMPACT! (N) (cc)					
TBS	Seinfeld (N) (cc)	Seinfeld (N) (cc)	Every-Raymond	Every-Raymond	Friends (cc)	Friends (cc)	Friends (cc)	Friends (cc)	★ ★ "Ace Ventura: Pet Detective" (1994) Jim Carrey, Courteney Cox. (cc)			
TLC	Martha Barry Watson. (N) (cc)	Humanzee	World's Tallest People	Miami Ink "The Kat Special"	Miami Ink "Made in Japan" (cc)	World's Tallest People						
TNT	Charmed "A Witch's Tail" (cc)	Law & Order "Payback" (N)	Law & Order "Foul Play" (N)	Law & Order "Ego" (N) (cc) (DVS)	Law & Order "Black, White and Blue"	Las Vegas (cc)						
USA	Law & Order: Criminal Intent (cc)	Law & Order: Criminal Intent (cc)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (N)	Law & Order: Criminal Intent (cc)	Law & Order: Criminal Intent (cc)	Law & Order: Criminal Intent (cc)						
VHI	I Love the '90s "1994" (N)	I Love the '90s "1995" (N)	I Love the '90s "1996" (N)	I Love the '90s "1997" (N)	I Love the '90s "1998" (N)	I Love the '90s "1998" (N)	So NoTORious (N)	So NoTORious (N)				
SPAN.	TELEM	Sala de Parejas	Noti-Telemundo	La Tormenta	Tierra de Pasiones	Corazón Partido	Decisiones	Decisiones	Noti-Telemundo	Titulares y Mas		
UNIV	Que Locura	Noticiero Univ	Peregrina (N)	Barrera de Amor (N)	Alborada (N)	Aquí y Ahora	Aquí y Ahora	Primer Impacto	Noticiero Univ.			
SPORTS	ESPN	SportsCenter (Live) (cc)	SportsCenter NFL Draft Special (Live) (cc)	Madden Bowl	Baseball Tonight (Live) (cc)	SportsCenter (Live) (cc)						
ESPN2	Mike and Mike	Around the Horn	MLB Baseball	Tampa Bay Devil Rays at Boston Red Sox. From Fenway Park in Boston. (Live)	Bonds on Bonds	Bonds on Bonds	Quite Frankly With Stephen A. Smith					
CSN	Orioles Postgame	SportsNite (cc)	MLB Baseball	Cleveland Indians at Baltimore Orioles. From Oriole Park at Camden Yards in Baltimore.	SportsNite (Live) (cc)	SportsNite (Live) (cc)	Orioles All Access	Best-Sports				
NEWS	CNN	Lou Dobbs Tonight (cc)	The Situation Room	Paula Zahn Now (cc)	Larry King Live (cc)	Anderson Cooper 360 (cc)						
FNC	Special Report (Live) (cc)	The Fox Report With Shepard Smith	The O'Reilly Factor (Live) (cc)	Hannity & Colmes (Live) (cc)	On the Record-Van Susteren	The O'Reilly Factor						
MSNBC	The Abrams Report	Hardball (cc)	Countdown With Keith Olbermann	Rita Cosby Live & Direct	Scarborough Country	The Situation With Tucker Carlson						
MOVIES	AMC	(5:45) ★★★ "The Comancheros" (1961, Western) John Wayne, 'NR'	★★★ "The High and the Mighty" (1954) John Wayne. A co-pilot tries to get a crippled plane across the Pacific. 'NR'	★★★ "Island in the Sky" (1953) 'NR'								
TCM	★★★ "The World of Henry Orient" (1964, Comedy) Peter Sellers. 'NR'	★★★ "The King and I" (1956, Musical) Deborah Kerr, Yul Brynner, Rita Moreno. 'G'	★★★ "Young Bess" (1953) Jean Simmons. 'NR' (cc)									
HBO	Bill & Ted's	★★★ "Flight of the Phoenix" (2004) Dennis Quaid. (N) 'PG-13' (cc)	★★★ "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban" (2004) Daniel Radcliffe. (N) 'PG' (cc)	★★ "I, Robot" (2004, Science Fiction) Will Smith. (N) 'PG-13' (cc)								
MAX	Consenting Adults (N)	★★★ "National Lampoon's Animal House" (1978)	(:15) ★★★ "Garden State" (2004, Comedy) Zach Braff. (N) 'R' (cc)	★★ "Sex Inspectors" (2004) Make Elizabeth								
SHOW	★★★ "Hotel Rwanda" (2004, Drama) Don Cheadle. iTV. (N) 'PG-13' (cc)	★★★ "Payback" (1999) Mel Gibson. iTV. (N) 'R' (cc)	HUFF 2: New	Penn & Teller: (N) 'PG-13' (cc)								
TMC	(:15) ★★ "Godsend" (2004, Suspense) Greg Kinnear. (N) 'PG-13' (cc)	★★★ "Air Force One" (1997, Suspense) Harrison Ford. (N) 'R' (cc)	(:05) ★★★ "The Pelican Brief" (1993) Julia Roberts. (N) 'PG-13' (cc)									
STARZ!	(4:50) ★★★ "Philadelphia" (1993)	★★ "Liar Liar" (1997) Jim Carrey. (N) 'PG-13' (cc)	Hwd Reporter	★★ "Elf" (2003, Comedy) Will Ferrell. (N) 'PG' (cc)								
ENCORE	(:15) ★★ "Captain Ron" (1992, Comedy) Kurt Russell. (N) 'PG-13' (cc)	★★ "The Devil's Advocate" (1997, Suspense) Keanu Reeves, Al Pacino. (N) 'R' (cc)	(:40) ★★ "D.E.B.S." (2004) Sara Foster. (N) 'PG-13' (cc)									
					(:35) ★★★ "Hero" (2002, Action) Jet Li. (N) 'PG-13' (cc)							

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Science

Recycling technique could help your car run on French fries

Its first nickname was "R2D2" after the "Star Wars" robot, but now they just call it "the dog" when it's time to drain the grease at Burgerville USA.

"The dog" is a small, stainless steel tank and pump combination on wheels that the Northwest restaurant chain has pioneered to channel used cooking oil to a biodiesel producer.

"It's the wave of the future," said Chris Wurtz, a Burgerville manager who demonstrated "the dog" at a new restaurant at the junction of Interstate 5 and Interstate 205 in Vancouver.

With the price of crude oil soaring, the restaurant industry — already the nation's largest single employer — could make a serious contribution to the fuel supply if most of its waste cooking oil can be recycled as biodiesel, according to industry and renewable fuel experts.

"It really does hold long-term benefits, not only for the restau-

rant industry, but for the environment on a national basis," said Hudson Riehle, senior vice president of research for the National Restaurant Association.

At the Burgerville restaurant, Wurtz towed "the dog" to the deep fryer, opened a steel cabinet door, turned a valve and started the oil flowing into the low-slung tank. When he had a big sample, he towed the pump to the back of the restaurant to transfer the old oil into a tall, stainless steel holding tank.

The big tank is fitted with a

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pushing a switch to converting the used cooking oil into renewable biodiesel fuel as a routine part of the restaurant business.

In California, the Orange County Sanitation District is taking the recycling process a step further by recovering grease from sewer systems and traps.

But the district would like to develop a system that keeps the grease out of the sewer system altogether.

"We look at it like renewable fuel, if we can get it out of the sewer and get it into the market," said Nick Arhontes, the engineer who directs regional services for the Southern California agency that already uses biodiesel in its trucks.

"It goes beyond restaurants to school cafeterias, jail cafeterias, hospitals — to get them to have their fats, oils and greases collected and get them into some alternative use," Arhontes said.

Processing used cooking oil into fuel offers a grassroots alternative to produce biodiesel at the neighborhood and even household level, using readily available equipment such as an old water heater, said Lyle Rudensey, co-founder of The Breathable Bus Coalition and a member of the NW Biodiesel Network.

Rudensey, also known as "BioLyle," holds biodiesel workshops in the Seattle area.

"Bring your own water heater, and we'll show you ... how it works," he said. WILLIAM MCCALL (AP)

Good Dog

hose coupling that feeds through the back wall, where a truck from MRP Services, a family-owned plumbing and drain service company, can drive up, connect another hose, and drain the tank.

MRP, in turn, takes the oil to SeQuential Biofuels in neighboring Portland, where it is converted to biodiesel.

The arrangement saves Burgerville the cost of hauling away the grease, but it is expected to eventually bring in additional revenue as biodiesel producers develop a competitive market.

"It's a win-win situation for both the restaurant operator, who now has another viable option for the disposal of old oil, as well as the

general public, who benefit from energy conservation and energy source options," Riehle said.

Used vegetable oil has been either waste or the stuff that restaurants had to pay to haul off to a rendering company that could transform it into raw material for pet food, soaps or cosmetics.

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Styles

Look out



Mixing stripes, as Lacoste did above, is only for the bold or imprisoned. Keep it simple, like at right. (Top, \$130, pants, \$225, adamplusve.com)

Yipes! Stripes!

The best of summer's lines

Fashion is sporting stripes this spring. They are retro, preppy, nautical, fun — and lining up everywhere.

Stripes are showing their colors on everything from canvas espadrilles to jaunty beach totes, retro watchbands, bikinis and 1980s-inspired leggings.

"The appearance of stripes was a trend that definitely came from the runway, but has been interpreted a lot by retailers in ways that are fresh and fun," says Andrea Lui, fashion spokesperson for Old Navy, which built an ad campaign around its striped fashions for women, men and children.

The onslaught of stripes draws from nautical inspirations, a huge trend in spring fashions, says

Gap spokeswoman Erica Archambault.

The popularity of stripes with consumers also comes from the desire to brighten spring and summer wardrobes.

"We've done stripes in classic colors, like blue and white, but also in some terrific brights like pink and green and lime and yellow," says Archambault. "But stripes can be a little intimidating," says Jenn Debarge-Goonan, fashion expert for off-price retailer Marshalls. "The key to stripes is learning how to build them into

Men can get in on the action with this Kenneth Cole tote, above (\$35).



DIANE BONDAREFF/AF

your wardrobe in a way that works for your body type."

Here are some tips:

HORIZONTAL STRIPES MAKE YOU APPEAR BROADER. Avoid the trend in sweaters and T-shirts, if you are big busted or want to conceal a thick waist.

DON'T WEAR STRIPES THAT RESEMBLE PRISON GARB, says Kelly Shelsky, owner of Cousin Johnny sweaters.

Instead, try a pattern of pastel-hued stripes in different dimensions. Mixing up the stripes minimizes some of the problems with traditional stripes.

DON'T REJECT THE TREND OUT OF HAND: A classic, pinstripe shirt is a simple way to wear stripes without looking like you're caught in the shadow of a Venetian blind.

THINK OF SUIT-ABLE STRIPES. Choosing a pantsuit of seersucker pinstripe is a classic way to wear the trend. Their vertical line and thin stripe make them fresh, classic and flattering. And you can wear the suit pieces as separates.

WEAR SOLIDS ON TOP AND VERTICAL STRIPES ON THE BOTTOM. In a flirty skirt or Bermuda shorts, long, lean stripes flatter and elongate your line.

SKIRT THE ISSUE. Some of the best stripes are showing up on crisp, cotton skirts. Old Navy is showing flirty skirts with thin, bright pastels in a vertical pattern. J. Crew is showing a crisp apple-green skirt with a white vertical stripe that would look smart with a tailored shirt. Also look for skirts patterned in stripes that flare out in an upside-down V. The diagonal pattern can be slimming. Try stripes on a boat-neck T-shirt or sweater, a flattering neckline that looks good on a lot of people, especially those looking to draw attention towards the face.

TREND-CHASERS SHOULD LOOK FOR BOLD STRIPES in tunics, and camisoles that can be worn over T-shirts or alone, although it requires being skinny, brave or both to pull off this look. Remember: the lighter the fabric, the more difficult it is to hide behind.

STILL NOT COMFORTABLE? ADD STRIPES TO YOUR ACCESSORIES — on canvas bags, espadrilles and belts. A fabric belt or tie are also easy ways to add stripes to your wardrobe. BETH COONEY (THE STAMFORD ADVOCATE)

Beauty

Get Oiled Up

It's hard to write about fragrance, especially when the only thing you can think of to say is "yum." That's the case with **MONOI BODY GLOW** II from Nars (\$69, narscosmetics.com), a body and bath oil that smells like vacation.

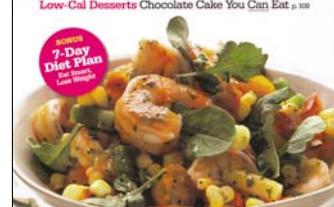
The stuff is made by soaking Tahitian gardenias in refined coconut extract for at least 10 days (a creepy dead flower floats in every bottle), and the result is a lighter version of that sunny, tropical smell you usually find only in sunscreen. The scent did get a strong negative reaction from some testers, who found it too sweet. If you're not a fan of the smell of suntan oil, steer clear. KRISTEN PAGE-KIRBY (EXPRESS)



Food

73 Light & Easy Recipes

Miracle Meals! 20-Minute Weekday Dinners
Super Foods! 10 Everyday Edibles With Amazing Powers
Low-Cal Desserts Chocolate Cake You Can Eat p. 108



Make It Your Self

This tester got Self magazine for years, always clipping the recipes and skipping articles on movie star butt-toning secrets. Perhaps some editor noticed her cancelled subscription, because the special issue **SELF DISHES** features almost nothing but yum, yet won't-pad-your-bum concoctions like Chocolate-Banana Cake with Walnuts. Sections on spa cuisine and slimmed-down pizzas looked so appetizing this recipe hunter could almost ignore a page on "star snacks" — and the bizarre fact that Beyoncé noshes on Jell-O made with diet soda. Eww! JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)



Letters

Cartoon Was Afront to Irish

WOULD THE EDITORS of Express publish a cartoon like the Bizarro cartoon that appeared on St. Patrick's Day if it referred to African Americans, Hispanics, Jews or American Indians? I doubt it. Then they should not have published a cartoon that insults the Catholic faith, the Irish and Irish Americans.

In the cartoon, St. Patrick is wearing the liturgical robes a bishop wears at Mass. The faithful are kneeling in prayer and — in an insult to Ireland's patron saint — he instructs them to "paint thyselfs green and vomit in the streets." This is an attack on our Catholic faith and the American public should not let the paper get away with it.

—JOHN E. MCINERNEY
Chairman, Political Education
Committee, Ancient Order of Hibernians
Largo, Md.

A Cartoon Double-Standard?

I WAS OFFENDED by the Bizarro cartoon that appeared in Express on St. Patrick's Day. It was a slam to all Irish and to Irish Catholics.

We are constantly bombarded with slurs like this and feel it is mainly done out of ignorance.

With all the controversy that has arisen over cartoons depicting the Prophet Mohammed, I would have thought a newspaper like Express would think twice about publishing discriminating material like this.

Many years ago there were terrible cartoons making fun of blacks and Jews. I don't believe you would publish any of those, would you?

—JOSEPH M. CASEY
Warren, Ohio

Lampoon Was On-Target

I THOUGHT THE BIZARRO cartoon that appeared on March 17 effectively lampooned those for whom St. Patrick's Day is just a day to drink green beer — and lots of it. I felt the cartoonist made a rather effective statement on how debased some of our holy days have become in our secular society. Although I think

the press often goes out of its way to minimize the views of Christians in general and, perhaps, Catholics in particular, I don't think that was the case with this cartoon.

—PATRICK GOLDEN
Williamsburg, Va.

Editor's note: Express received a number of letters from members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians criticizing the March 17 Bizarro cartoon. While we did not read the cartoon as critical of the Catholic Church, we regret any misunderstanding or offense that may have occurred inadvertently.

Don't Skimp on the Pork

THE RECIPE FOR GARLIC PORK with tomato and basil included in Tuesday's Fit section looks just like a recipe in the April 2006 issue of Cooking Light. The recipe is quite good, but instead of two ounces of pork tenderloin, I suggest using closer to 12 ounces, as the Cooking Light recipe recommends.

To keep the calories down, share it with a friend or take the leftovers to work.

—AMANDA PETTERUTI
Alexandria, Va.

Secularists Have an Agenda

I BELIEVE ALL THE RECENT HYPE about conspiracies, secret codes hidden in paintings, and new "gospels" is being overblown. The Gnostic gospels, like the Gospel of Judas, are being talked about as if they have just been discovered, but most Christians know that these writings have always been around.

I think all the sudden attention is just part of a thinly veiled attempt by the secularists to try and discredit the heart of Christianity, as they are aware the faith presents a challenge to their agendas.

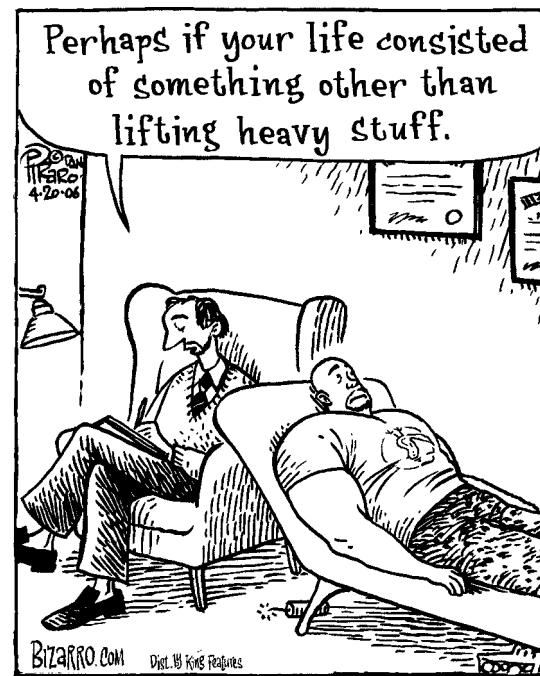
Christianity and the Bible have remained intact for 2000 years and I hardly think a book, movie and a re-discovered Gnostic text will change that.

—MATTHEW MWANGI
Washington, D.C.

Correction:

A headline in Wednesday's edition of Express incorrectly identified the new White House budget director. He is Rob Portman.

Bizarro | Dan Piraro

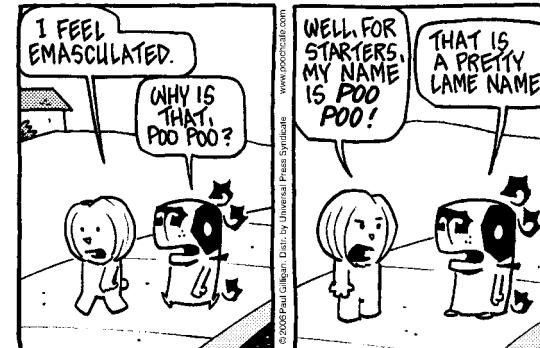


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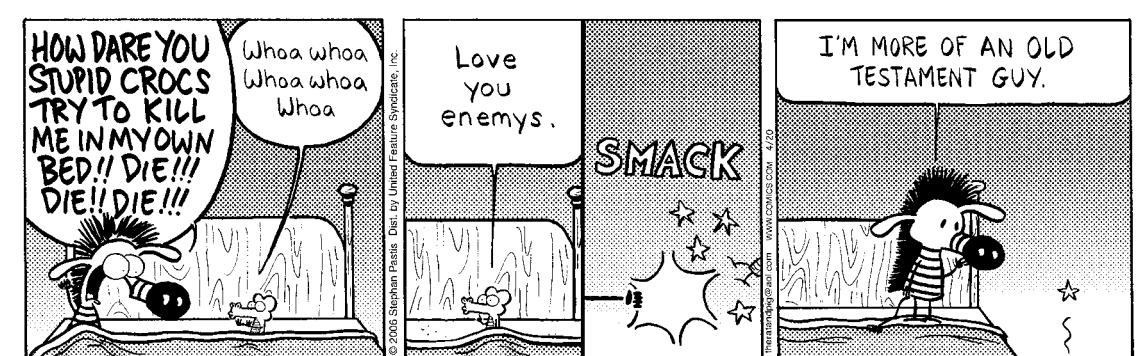


Sometimes decoys are used to catch — and really confuse — car thieves.

Pooch Cafe | Paul Gilligan



Pearls Before Swine | Stephan Pastis



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AN ESCALATOR MALFUNCTION

It missed my foot, but it did tear a hole out of my \$19.95 K-Mart loafer. Apparently the taste of my sweaty feet and K-Mart leather was not to the escalator's liking."

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WE DIDN'T NEED TO SEE THAT

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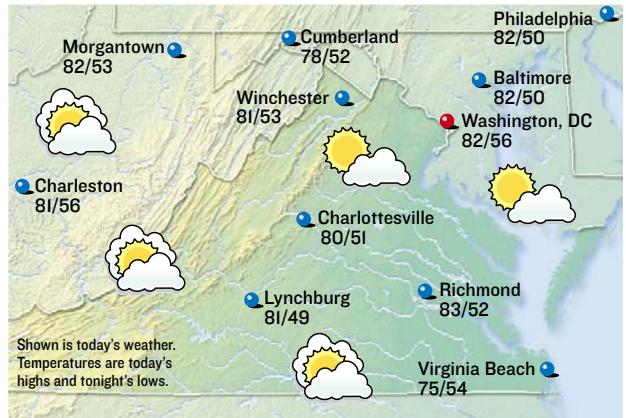


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Regional Weather



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Almanac

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Temperature

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Regional Forecast

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Sun and Moon

Sunrise today 6:25 a.m.
Sunset tonight 7:50 p.m.
Moonrise today 2:18 a.m.
Moonset today 11:27 a.m.

Last	New	First	Full
Apr 20	Apr 27	May 5	May 13

Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) That which doesn't fit may be just right for you. Don't be afraid to head off in a direction that is all your own at this time.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) What you see or hear quite by accident is likely to prove most important to you — almost immediately. You may have to swing into action.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You are likely to meet someone who affects you beneath the surface. How important is this? You will have to wait to find out.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You may be longing for the grass that is on the other side of the fence; perhaps it is time for you to tend to your garden just a bit more.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You may be rather unresponsive for a while — until a loved one reminds you it's now or never. Then, you'll get going.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) An unpleasant interruption at just the wrong time is like-

ly to teach you an important lesson. Once over the line, you can't go back.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) It's important you approach the day with confidence and an easy, relaxed frame of mind. Don't let a past slowdown get the better of you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Just when you think it's too late, someone is likely to come along and offer you a second chance. There may be something fishy going on.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You can prove a pioneer of sorts, as you forge into emotional and spiritual territory that is new to you — and others, too, perhaps.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You may be quite stingy with your resources, and you may have to suffer the ingratitude of those around you for a time. Is it a wise choice?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You may have more to sing about than others can glean — and you would be wise to keep your little secret just a little longer.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Take it slow and don't try to force anything in its place. Your preparation has been meticulous, and you don't want to threaten progress.

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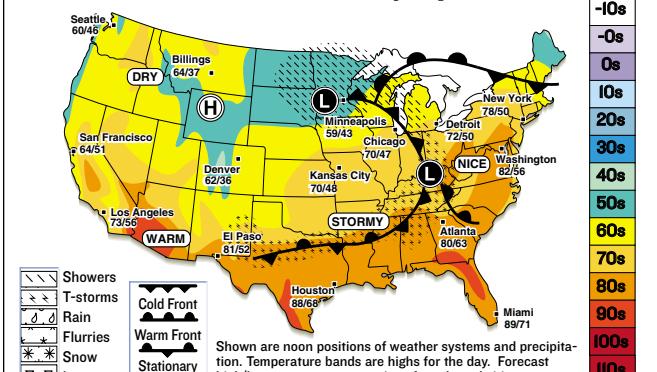
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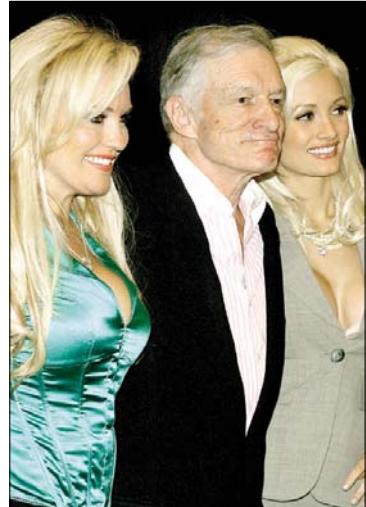
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Boston	62/42/s	54/40/s	Athens	70/54/pc	68/55/pc
Chicago	70/47/pc	66/43/c	Berlin	63/43/pc	64/46/pc
Dallas	78/60/t	77/60/pc	Buenos Aires	69/54/sh	71/53/s
Denver	62/36/s	71/44/s	Calgary	67/41/s	60/33/pc
Honolulu	83/69/s	83/70/pc	Dublin	52/39/r	55/41/pc
Los Angeles	73/56/s	69/54/pc	Geneva	66/43/pc	71/56/pc
Miami	89/71/pc	88/73/pc	Moscow	55/41/pc	56/33/t
New York City	78/50/s	59/46/s	Rome	68/52/pc	68/54/pc
Orlando	91/66/pc	90/66/pc	Sydney	82/59/s	73/55/s
Seattle	60/46/c	56/40/sh	Tokyo	66/46/r	64/45/pc

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Britain's best-selling newspaper apologized Wednesday to **TERI HATCHER** for a story that claimed she had sex with men in a van outside her home. The Sun tabloid acknowledged that the article, which ran in August, was "totally incorrect" and apologized to Hatcher "for the embarrassment caused." (AP)



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Could an Eponymous New Jersey Rest Area Be Next?

DONALD TRUMP is donating 436 acres in New York City's northern suburbs for a new state park that will be named for himself. The new Donald J. Trump State Park will run along the Taconic State Parkway. (AP)

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Oscar-winning producer **BRIAN GRAZER** has filed for legal separation from his wife of eight years, Gigi Grazer. She wrote the 2005



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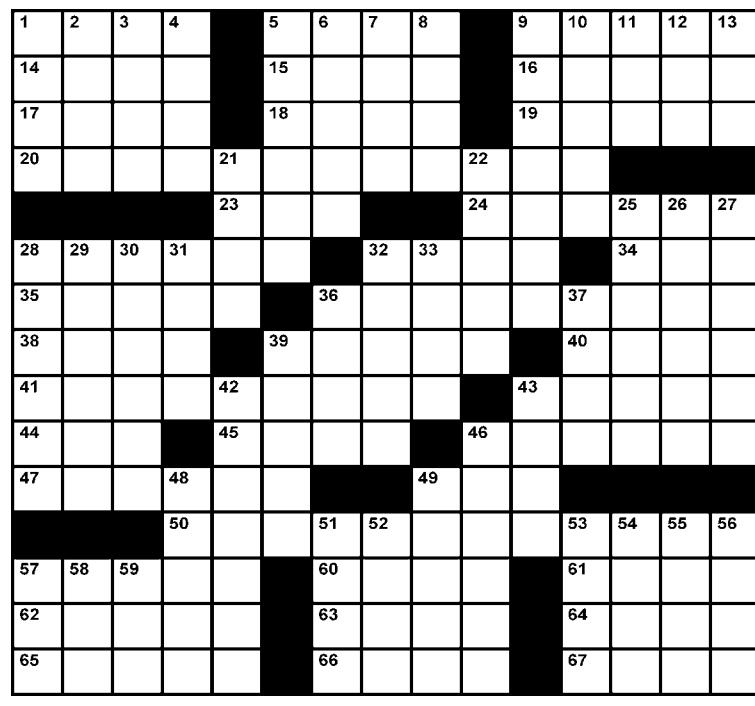
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- 17 Hemingway's posthumous "The Garden of ___"
- 18 Cassoulet or haricot, e.g.
- 19 Phrase homonym
- 20 Bobby Darin classic
- 23 Move a gig
- 24 Send back to a lower court
- 28 Cutting-edge
- 32 Run without rushing
- 34 Born
- 35 Prefix meaning sun
- 36 Nicholson film
- 38 Black in verse
- 39 Degree requirement, sometimes
- 40 Partiality
- 41 Annual event since 1967
- 43 Spectrum
- 44 General-turned-politician
- 45 Fumbler's word
- 46 "Ship of Fools" author
- 47 Noted TV street
- 49 Predicament
- 50 Clotheshorse

- 57 Perform like Alfalfa
- 60 "Puppy Love" singer
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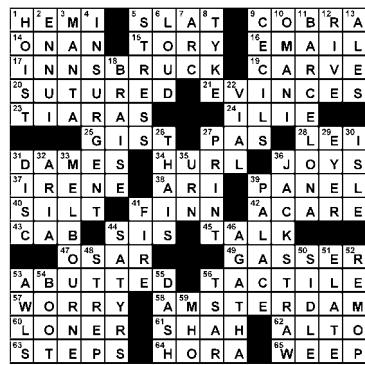
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- 10 Violinist
- 11 Zimbalist
- 12 Day in Granada
- 13 Type of dock
- 14 Permissive reply
- 15 Hurly-burly
- 16 They may be in the fire
- 17 Consecrate with oil
- 18 Type of music
- 19 Slower mentally
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sometimes
29 Express disapproval
30 Eschews nuptial formalities
31 Mudville number
32 Responds to heat, in a way
33 Lunar valley
36 Type of circle
37 It'll give you a lift
39 Orchestra tuners
42 Type of novel
43 Cakewalk
46 Summer hat
48 In progress

49 It can be wild
51 Chop into small pieces
52 Very much a fan of
53 Certain brocaded fabric
54 London Bridge loc.
55 Ticket info, perhaps
56 Poet St. Vincent Millay
57 Ernesto Guevara de la Serna
58 Was published
59 Macrogametes

Yesterday's Solution



Today in History

1812 The fourth vice president of the United States, George Clinton, died in Washington at age 73, becoming the first vice president to die while in office.

1945 During World War II, allied forces took control of the German cities of Nuremberg and Stuttgart.

1971 The Supreme Court upheld the use of busing to achieve racial desegregation in schools.

1972 The manned lunar module from Apollo 16 landed on the moon.

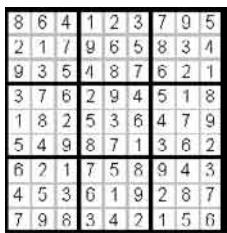
1999 The Columbine High School massacre took place in Littleton, Colo., as two students shot and killed 12 classmates and one teacher before taking their own lives.

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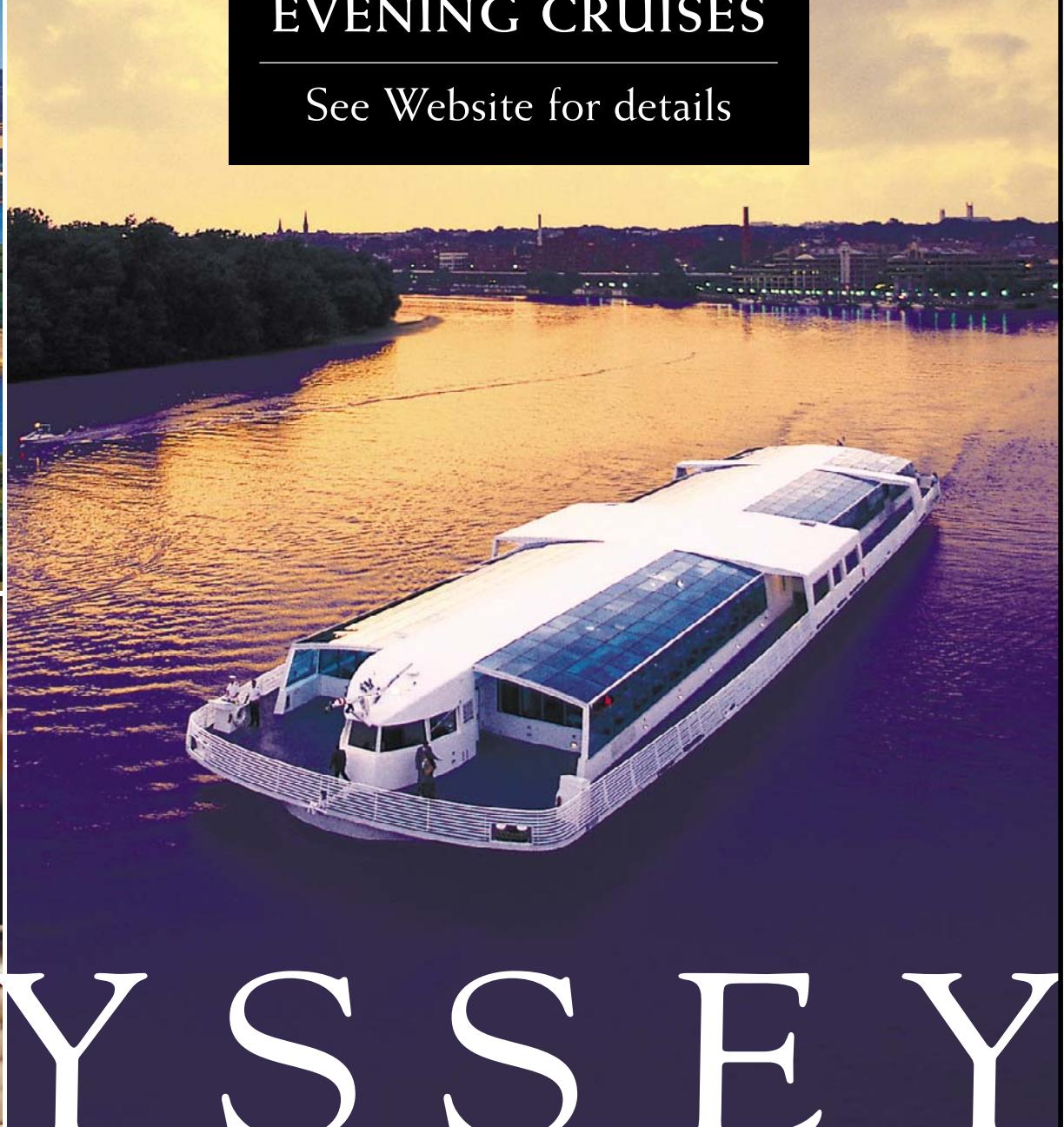
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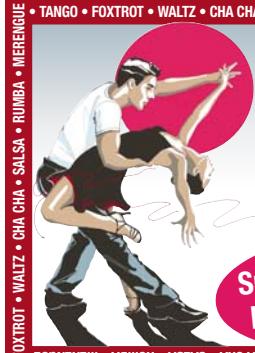
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* NAME: Hal Niedzviecki
GIG: Author of "Hello, I'm Special"

SOMETHING AWFUL happened to Hal Niedzviecki when he turned 30 — his parents gave him a mass-market greeting card describing him as a "non-conformist." That got the novelist, founder of zine culture magazine "The Broken Pencil" and indie guru thinking about what it meant to be, well, an indie guru. This soul-searching led to "Hello, I'm Special: How Individuality Became the New Conformity," which taps into the appeal of a brand-name beer that makes every drinker a rebel, and TV contests in which everyone is a winner. Niedzviecki, who lives in Toronto but grew up in Potomac, reads from the book on Saturday.

What made you decide to write this?
A lot of different things that were swirling around in the culture just kept coming back to me. I started

to see a lot of mainstream things happening in underground culture and underground things happening in the mainstream, and I was wondering, "What's bringing this all together?"

It seems that corporations define cool, and that's OK by us.

For the last 10 years, I think people have become so much more aware of brands and logo and style and advertising imagery. I mean, Colgate just bought Tom's of Maine; L'Oréal bought Body Shop. What happens to this idea that, "Because I use Tom's of Maine toothpaste I am somehow in opposition to the system"?

It's self-help culture, too.

Nobody ever says you're depressed because life is depressing.

So if everyone is cool therefore nobody is cool, what's the point?

Not all of this is negative. A lot of the



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BE YOURSELF: The writer says that an everybody-wins culture erodes individuality.

fallout is positive — people can talk about themselves and talk to their communities and be satisfied; they don't necessarily feel that unless you become this sort of über-celebrity, you're nothing.

So what have you become?

That's the question, of course — what does one become when one realizes that everything in the soci-

ety is telling them to be something special? I guess for me the realization is that everyone is special, in that everyone has the inalienable right to be who they are.

Is there any eccentricity left?

In the book, I try to see if there are any real eccentrics, individuals, radicals, rebels left. I take a trip to these tiny islands in British

"Everyone has the inalienable right to be who they are."

Columbia, most of them settled by hippie types in the '50s and '60s. The residents actually voted no to having electricity and to having a car ferry. And some of those people want to go further away — they say the island is getting too commercial!

What will you wear to the reading?
Well, I have my "Hello, I'm Special" T-shirt. But, you know, when my mother goes to White Flint and buys me pants, I wear them.

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STAGE | Playwright Tom Murphy stuffs big words and big ideas into his 1983 play "The Gigli Concert," so much so that it can be dizzying.

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Artistic Director Howard Shalwitz steps out from behind the Woolly Mammoth's scenes to reclaim his role as "dynamo-



DUET: Howard Shalwitz and Mitchell Hebert play lost souls in "The Gigli Concert."

tologist" JPW King, an alcoholic English shlub who runs a failing therapy practice in Dublin, Ireland. The high-strung King

seems to begin each scene in his boxer shorts and T-shirt before racing to put on his rumpled shirt and pants whenever he hears a knock

at the door. The person who's usually on the other side is a character known only as Irish Man, played by Mitchell Hebert. He's a mysterious but impeccably dressed rageaholic who hires King to help him fix his woeful life—and to help him sing like the Italian tenor Beniamino Gigli.

The only other actor seen on the evocatively designed stage is King's mistress, Mona, a fellow vodka-lover played by Kim Schraf, but it's the intense, talky interaction between King and Irish Man that drives the play — two lost souls filled with existential dread and nary an idea about how to get over it. **CHRISTOPHER PORTER**

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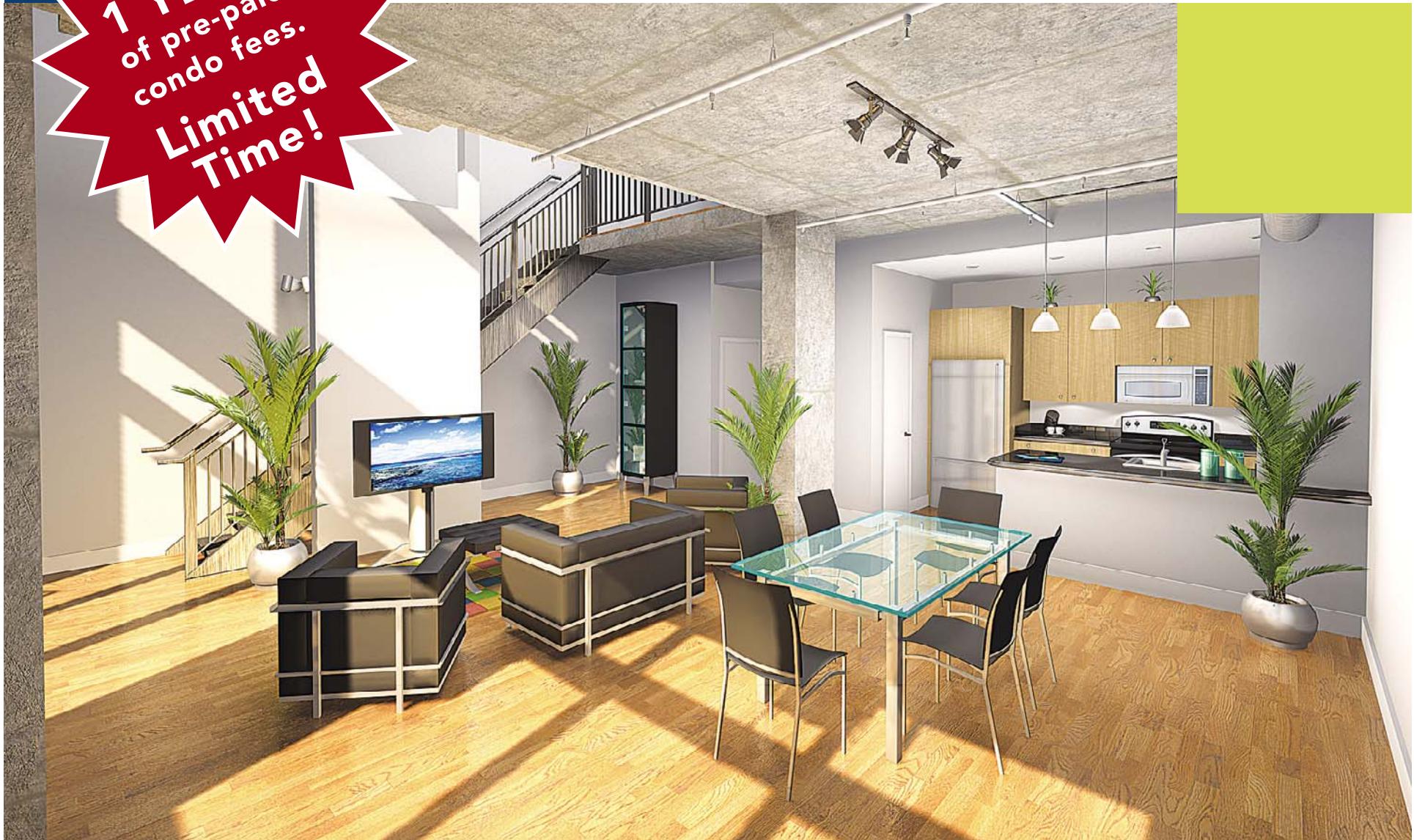
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Elvis Costello and the Baltimore Symphony make beautiful music

MUSIC | Elvis Costello has been knee deep in virtually every musical genre including rock, pop, punk, new wave, soul, country and jazz. Nothing is out of reach for the experimental Costello, born Declan MacManus, who boldly dubbed himself Elvis not long after the King's death in 1977.

With such a broad palette, Costello's forays into classical are a logical progression in his quirky musical path. Hear for yourself as the prolific songwriter plays three shows with the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra beginning

Thursday at Strathmore in North Bethesda. He'll then head up the Beltway for a pair of performances at Myerhoff Symphony Hall in Baltimore on Friday and Saturday.

Few rockers dare to tread in hallowed sounds such as these, but this Rock and Roll Hall of Famer is unlike most rockers. The first part of the Maryland gigs will feature the bespectacled performer and the BSO drawing from his first full-length orchestra work, "Il Sogno" ("The Dream"), based on Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

Diametrically opposed to a populist project like Metallica and the San Francisco Orchestra, these pieces were originally composed for

an Italian ballet company. (Take that, Lars Ulrich!) They embody a wide range of styles, including R&B, jazz, folk and bluegrass.

After an intermission, Costello will return to the stage with long-time keyboardist Steve Nieve and play a host of his pop-oriented fare with the BSO.

With a deep appreciation for the genre, "Il Sogno" isn't Costello's first experiment with classical music. He collaborated with the British-based Brodsky Quartet in 1993 and even penned an opera based on Hans Christian Andersen's life for Denmark's Royal Theater that debuted last year.

Also among his wildly varied discs is an album with his wife, jazz pianist/singer Diana Krall

— 2004's velvety "The Girl in the Other Room."

Among Costello's pop tunes on display should be a re-working of his early hit "Watching The Detectives." He revised the song in 2004 with the 52-piece Metropole Orkest from the Netherlands and issued it on CD this year. While the original bounces with a pop-reggae feel, the orchestral version utilizes breezy, big band melodies that heartily swing.

The updated release is radically different and the only constant is Costello's nasally wail — something few would characterize as smooth, but most would agree remains gratifyingly imperfect.

Not unlike the man himself, who's easily among popular music's most courageous and intriguing performers.

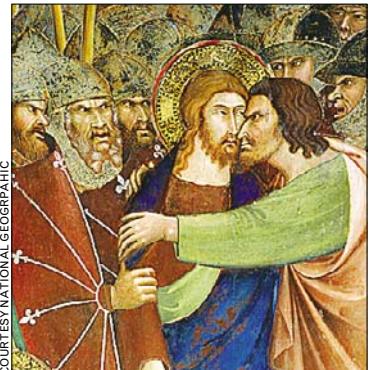
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Rainer Maria matures from scrappy indie rock to polished pop

MUSIC | Rainer Maria is practically a classic-rock band at this point — well, classic emo rock.

It will be 11 years in October since bassist Caithlin De Marrais, guitarist Kyle Fischer and drummer William Kuehn took their name from German poet Rainer Maria Rilke and formed a band in Madison, Wis. And they've never looked back.

"We really love it," Kuehn said. "There's only three of us so it makes it easier, and we're really great friends. I see no problem with living that lifestyle. Maybe some musicians do, but we all enjoy it so much. After 11 years everything is just second nature — being in a band, being on the road — we don't even think about it."

Rainer Maria is going on a long tour to support "Catastrophe Keeps Us Together," its fifth studio album and first CD since 2004's live com-



TAKE A PICTURE, IT LASTS LONGER: The Wisconsin trio has been around more than a decade; their professionalism shows.

pilation "Anyone in Love With You (Already Knows)." The new disc is the band's most melodic and accessible album to date, and after hearing the title track and the soaring ballad "Already Lost" it's easy to imagine that this once-scrappy trio is headed for a musical guest slot on "The O.C."

While "Catastrophe" is brimming with catchy songs, its primary strength comes from vocalist De Marrais, whose pipes have evolved from a passionate yelp into an instrument of beauty and power.

Fischer usually sings a few songs with De Marrais, but on "Catastrophe" it's her voice alone. "Kyle's really been focusing on his guitar-playing for the last two records," Kuehn said. "That's become his main focus and he's let Caithlin do a lot of the vocals. A lot of the lyrics were almost always written by Caithlin, especially the last two records."

"It just seemed natural for her to sing them. And Caithlin's voice ... is strong enough now where she can take the leads and it's more than enough. It's just the perfect voice for this band."

CHRISTOPHER PORTER

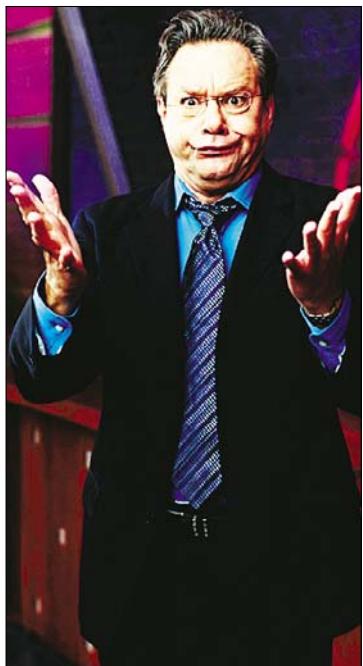
→ *Black Cat*, 1811 14th St. NW; with the Reputation, Jana Hunter, Thu., 8:30 p.m., \$12; 202-667-7960. (U St.-Cardozo)

A Jack of All Tirades

Lewis Black finds much to mock in the state of the union

COMEDY | Beware of Lewis Black's flying fingers. The highly agitated comedian plays back-to-back shows Friday at the Warner Theater and you can bet he'll become exasperated enough to dart his hands like a kung fu practitioner. The gigs will be taped for an upcoming HBO special that finds the politically savvy funnyman in D.C., where he's bound to gather endless material.

Black grew up in Silver Spring. He struggled for years as a playwright and theater manager, before landing a spot on Comedy Central's "The Daily Show" in 1996. His career erupted thanks to memorable "Back in Black" segments —



The "Daily Show" comic is known for being acerbic and pulling no punches.

brief, spirited rants where someone's certain to be blasted as an idiot, maybe even Black himself.

Not only does Black perform hundreds of stand-up comedy dates a year, he's completed acting gigs for Bob Saget's upcoming spoof "Farce of the Penguins" and "Man of the Year" alongside Robin Williams. Nearly anything can irritate Black, and he's never bashful when intensely spewing an opinion.

From the president to God, nothing is off limits. In fact, Black's official Web site dubs the comedian "America's foremost commentator on everything." But it's his fingers that really do the talking.

CRAIG SMITH
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Tarnished TV 'Idol'

A new satire sends up TV talent shows and a clueless president

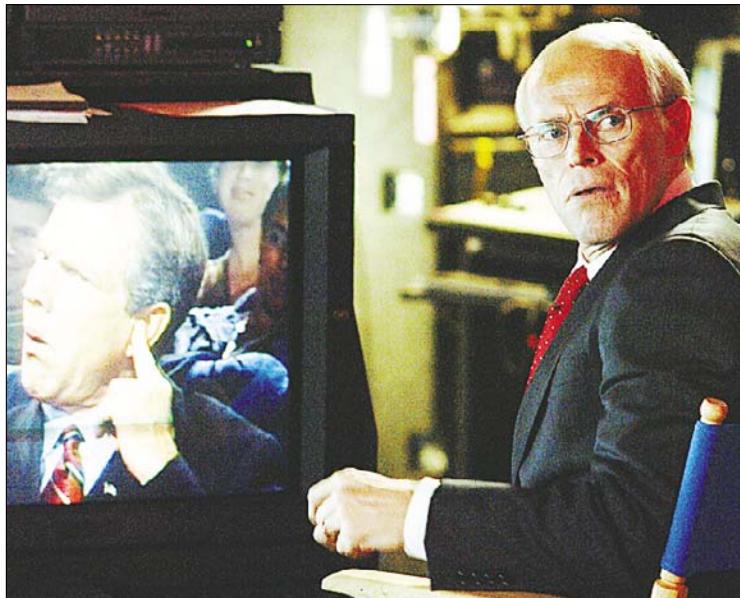
RIPE TARGET | Paul Weitz's "American Dreamz" pokes fun at the public's obsession with a TV show that affords ambitious unknowns instant fame. In it, a clueless U.S. president who decides to get back in touch with reality does so by becoming a guest judge on the show, where he becomes the target of an assassination plot.

Willem Dafoe, 50, is almost

unrecognizable as the paunchy, balding political puppet-master behind Dennis Quaid's President Staton. But changing his appearance is nothing new for this performer — he's played characters as diverse as Jesus and the Green Goblin.

Is your character based on Dick Cheney or Karl Rove?

It's a mixture of the two. I think the character looks quite a bit like Cheney, but I didn't intend to look so much like him. [The character's] probably more Karl Rove, though.



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PULLING STRINGS: Willem Dafoe plays a composite of White House manipulators.

The truth is, while a lot of references are thinly veiled in this, that particular character is sort of an invention.

Do you feel our times are almost satire-proof?

The political climate and pop culture — they satirize themselves.... It doesn't present revelations politically to me, but it uses humor to approach things that we sort of know from a different angle and it helps loosen up the discourse.

What was it like working with Paul Weitz?

It's always nice when the writer is the director because if he sees something he can move on it. There's great flexibility and he likes to play around. A lot of what we improvised and invented didn't make it into the movie, but what it did was loosen up the other parts. It creates an atmosphere and a fluidity that you don't have if you are just working with the written text.

Do you watch "American Idol?"

I've never watched it. I've seen reality shows where these beautiful young kids were eating spiders.

"Fear Factor?"

Yeah. They're related to those outrageous talk shows like "Jerry Springer," to me. There was a period where I was quite fascinated with those.

Was there a favorite episode?

They're all the same. ANGELA DAWSON (ENTERTAINMENT NEWS WIRE)

Take 10

THE WASHINGTON POST'S FILM CRITICS TACKLE THIS WEEK'S BOX-OFFICE TOP 10

1 Scary Movie 4

Zucker-Abrams-Zucker's horror-film spoof sequel is fueled on overacting and pop-culture jokes. This film was not screened for critics.

2 Ice Age: The Meltdown

The animation in this chatty sequel is first-rate, but the story needs to catch up to the magic. STEPHEN HUNTER

3 The Benchwarmers

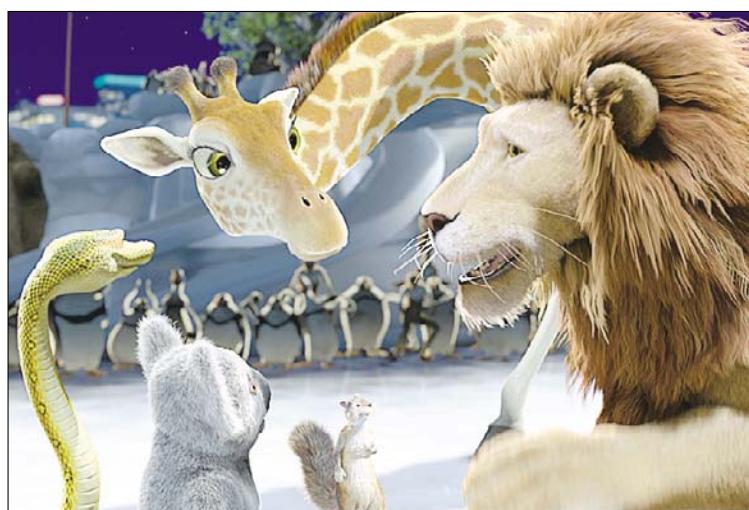
This somewhat muddled but occasionally amusing gross-out comedy about the evils of bullying stars David Spade, Jon Heder and Rob Schneider. STEPHEN HUNTER

4 The Wild

A zoo lion and his pals must rescue his cub from the urban jungle. The adult humor is welcome, but it gets relentless. DESSON THOMSON

5 Take the Lead

There are a few good scenes in this inspirational dance drama, but the fictional account of a real story about a



WILD THINGS: Zoo animals hit the road for adventures and learning in "The Wild."

professional dancer and inner-city kids feels phony. SARAH KAUFMAN

6 Inside Man

A deft, tense, pure thriller, the movie has great star turns by Denzel Washington, Clive Owen and others, and is brilliantly directed by Spike Lee. STEPHEN HUNTER

7 Lucky Number Slevin

The movie has a jaunty, even merry tone for something so blood-soaked. But there's just too much death, it has no moral import and becomes ultimately meaningless. STEPHEN HUNTER

8 Thank You for Smoking

There's wicked fun in this inside-Washington satire of string-pulling lobbyists, just not enough of it. DESSON THOMSON

9 Failure to Launch

Every character in this Sarah Jessica Parker-Matthew McConaughey romantic comedy has enough quirks to make it sublimely enjoyable. STEPHEN HUNTER

10 V for Vendetta

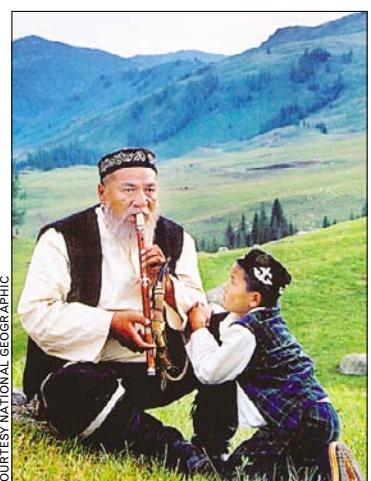
A piece of pulp claptrap with no insights whatsoever into totalitarian psychology. STEPHEN HUNTER

Indies & Arties

At the Hirshhorn

Two films by Finnish artist Eija-Liisa Ahtila, "Lohdutsseremonia" ("Consolation Service") and "Rakkaus on aarre" (Love is a Treasure) screen at the Hirshhorn on Thursday and Friday at 8 p.m. They each seek uniquely feminine perspectives through experimental techniques and film portraiture.

→ Hirshhorn Museum, Ring Auditorium, Independence Avenue and 7th Street SW; 202-357-2700. (Smithsonian)



"Beautiful Homeland" contrasts nature's gentle charms with big-city glamour.

making with three rarely seen works. On Friday at 6:30 p.m., it's 2004's "Warriors of Heaven and Earth," a ravishing epic about two swordsmen, a sacred relic and honor on a brutal field of battle — the Gobi desert. On Friday at 9 p.m., 2004's "Beautiful Homeland" screens, about a nomadic family whose way of life is threatened by the seduction of the big city. "Shanghai Rumba" from 2005 screens on Saturday. Female filmmaker Peng Xiaolian tells the true story of a woman caught between fame and her family.

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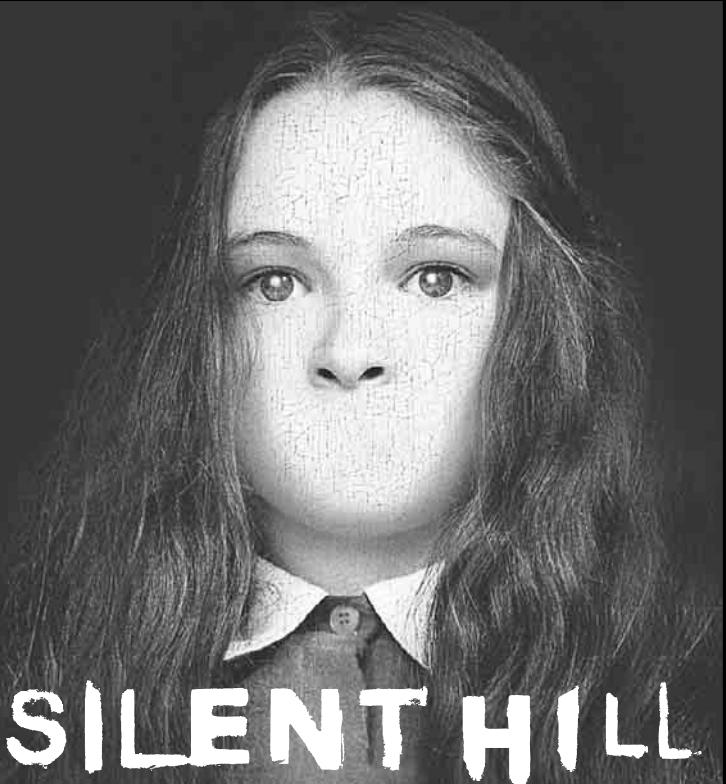
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Active Legacy

Stephen Marley has 'Got Music' for the newest generation

MUSIC | Stephen Marley, the second son of Bob and Rita, was a member of the Melody Makers along with older brother Ziggy and sisters Cedella and Sharon. While he's produced records for his brothers Julian, Ky-Mani and Damian, the 34-year-old Stephen — who can sound a lot like his Pops — has never released a solo album.

His debut, "Got Music?," was supposed to come out last year, but it was put on hold — no, not because of the terrible title but so he and Damian could finish the smash "Welcome to Jamrock" CD.

Now scheduled for a September release, Marley decided to change the record's name to "Mind Control" because, "Where I am today is different from where I was last year in terms of my vibe, my mood," Marley said. "Last year I was in a 'Got Music?' vibe — just music. This year I'm in a more militant vibe." Marley's adding a few new songs and remixing others to make the roots-

TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR MIND: The second son of Bob and Rita Marley feels as compelled as his late father did to agitate politically from a musical bully pulpit.

reggae album “more raw.”

He and Ky-Mani are doing a brief tour to work out some new songs and arrangements from their forthcoming CDs and they'll dip into Dad's catalog, too. But with Damian having the family's biggest hit since the Melody Maker's "Tomorrow People" in 1989, some sibling rivalry must take place, right? "No, no," laughed

Marley. "Maybe if we were all the same age we'd have that kind of sibling rivalry. But we're all a good age apart so that you respect the wisdom of your peers, of your older brothers."

CHRISTOPHER PORTER

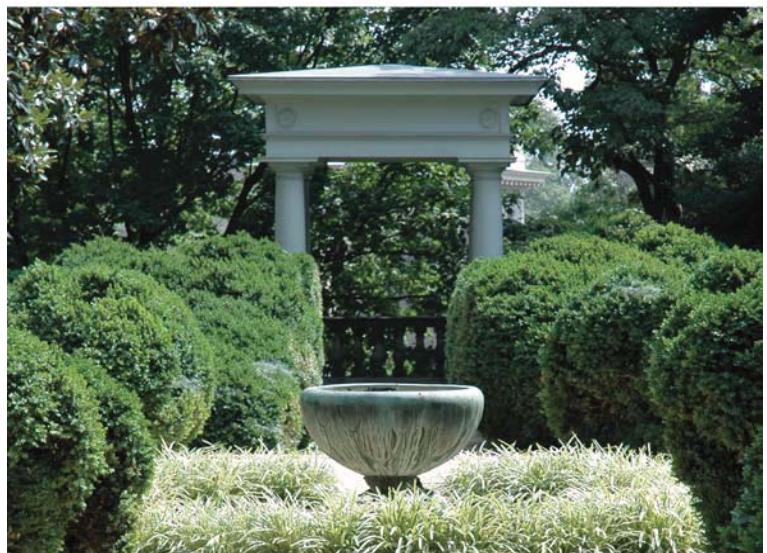
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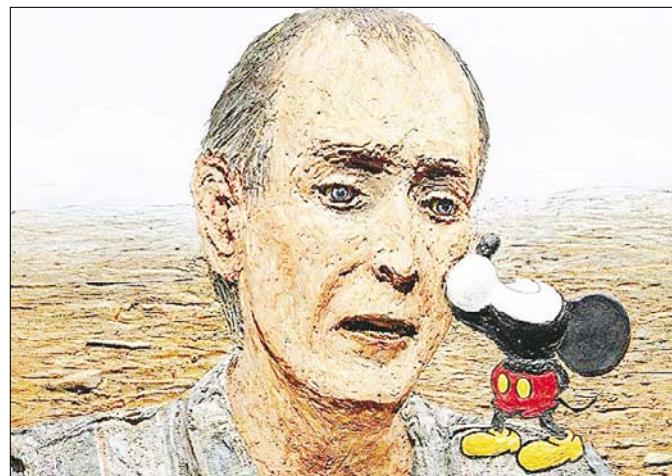
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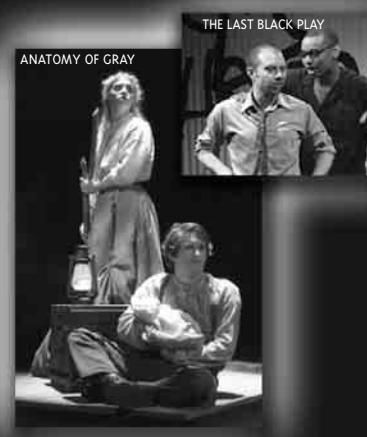
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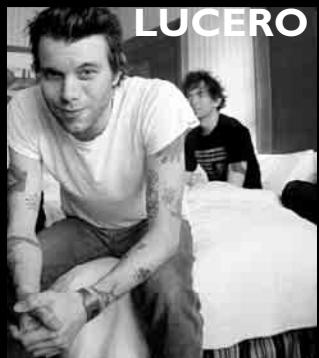
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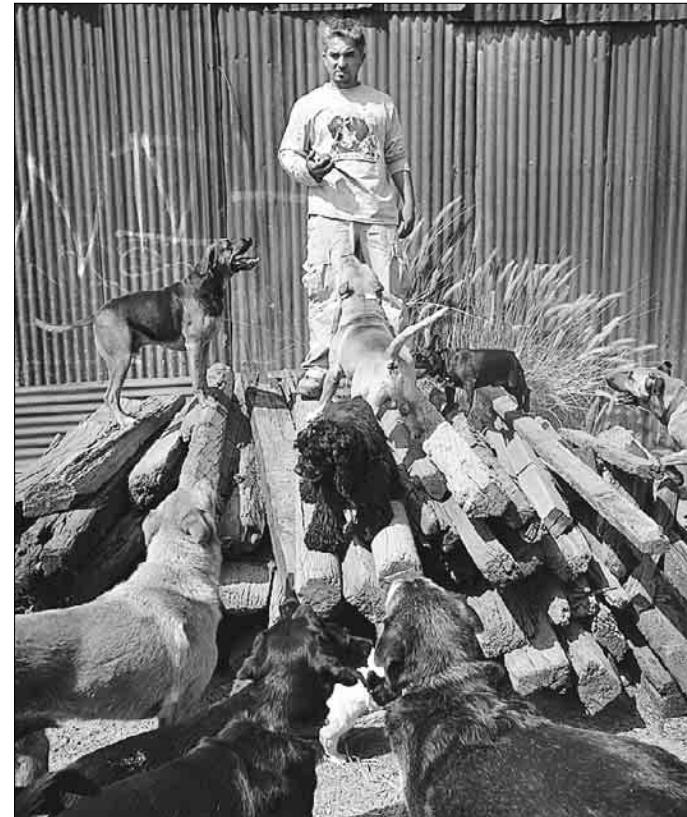
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Jammin' Java: Rude Buddha, The Rivalry, 7 p.m., \$10. Rude Buddha, Gold Mind Squad, Ballyhoo!, 9 p.m., \$10.

Jaxx: Misfits, Bella Morte, Dreams in Fear, 7 p.m., \$20 (advance), \$22.

Kennedy Center: Betty Carter's Jazz

Continued on E19

LIVE ONLINE

Ask Tom

I am looking for a fun, hip place to take my husband out for his 30th birthday. I've looked into Komi and Oceanaire but they are a bit too pricey for us. He is an adventurous eater and loves wine, so any kind of cuisine will do. Can you recommend a couple of places that won't break the bank?

Hip and fun and relatively easy on the budget: Two Amys in Northwest D.C. (sit at the wine bar); Bangkok 54 in Arlington; Spices in Cleveland Park; The bar facing the tortilla makers at Oyamel in Arlington; La Flor de la Canela in Gaithersburg.

→ *Two Amys*, 3715 Macomb St. NW; 202-885-5700.

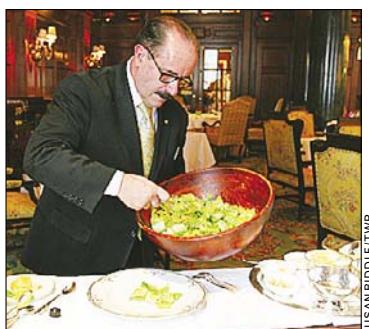
→ *Bangkok 54*, 2919 Columbia Pike, Arlington; 703-521-4070.

→ *Spices Asian Restaurant & Sushi Bar*, 3333-A Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-686-3833. (Cleveland Park)

→ *Oyamel Cocina Mexicana*, 2250 Crystal Dr.; 703-413-2288. (Crystal City)

→ *La Flor de la Canela*, 117 N Frederick Ave., Gaithersburg, Md.; 301-519-9100.

→ *Tabard Inn*, 1739 N St. NW; 202-



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I am looking for a place with outdoor seating for a birthday dinner. It should offer good wine, seating for seven people and preferably be located downtown, on Capitol Hill or Dupont/U Street. Any suggestions?

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→ *Bombay Club*, 815 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-659-3727. (Farragut West)

→ *Busboys and Poets*, 2021 14th St. NW; 202-387-7638. (U St.-Cardozo)

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→ *Sette Osteria*, 1666 Connecticut Ave., NW; 202-483-3070. (Dupont Circle)

→ *Tabard Inn*, 1739 N St. NW; 202-

331-8528. (Dupont Circle)

At Charlie Chiang's in Shirlington a few nights ago, my dining party saw a waitress pour wine from a glass back into the bottle. She used a funnel, which I'm guessing implies this is standard practice rather than a one-time occurrence.

You're kidding. Lesson to diners at Charlie Chang's: Order wine by the bottle only — and make sure the bottle is wearing a tight cork!

→ *4060 S. 28th St., Arlington, Va.*; 703-671-4900.

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→ *The Willard Room*, 1401 Pennsylvania Ave. NW; 202-637-7440. (Metro Center)

→ *Simply Home*, 1410 U St. NW; 202-232-8424. (U St.-Cardozo)

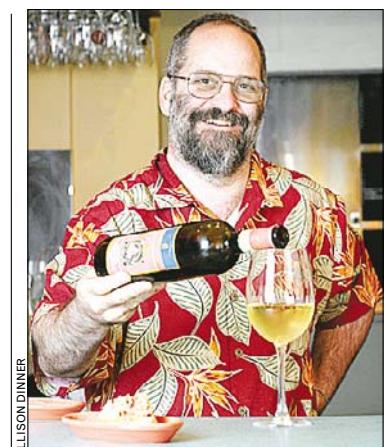
Washington Post Sunday Magazine columnist **TOM SIETSEMA** talks restaurants Wednesdays at 11 a.m. on washingtonpost.com/liveonline.

Pick Your Poison

Going Out | Cheap Dates

While spring isn't really known as a time to celebrate wine, restaurants will always find a way to draw in customers, whether through various standing wine discount nights (like Clyde's half-price bottle night on Sundays) or other less-frequent wine specials.

Two restaurants are either gearing up to showcase or are already offering the best of their regular or special offerings. At Dino in Cleveland Park, diners who come for dinner on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights and spend at least \$20 per person on food will be able to get a 33-percent discount on any bottle that's more than \$50. If you can't figure out the math, we'll tell you now that's a good deal — Dino's wine list is highly regarded. Two hundred bottles fall under this discount, which will run through Memorial Day. Cleveland Parkers, already upset that their neighborhood Italian restaurant is being flooded with outsiders, will likely be further peeved.



Dino in Cleveland Park offers its fine wines for a discount some weekdays.

And if you thought "Greek wine" means nothing but retsina (that Pine Sol-icious white table wine), think again. At Zaytinya downtown, April 30 is the day to explore what Greece's wine-producing regions can offer. A walk-around wine tasting of 25 to 30 wines will start at 4 p.m. and last until 6 p.m. (Zaytinya recommends that you secure a dinner reservation to suck up all the vino.) But if you want more, more, more, the Greek wines will be available for purchase at 25 percent off the regular price.

→ *Dino*, 3435 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-686-2966. (Cleveland Park)

→ *Zaytinya*, 701 9th St. NW; 202-638-0800. (Gallery Place-Chinatown)

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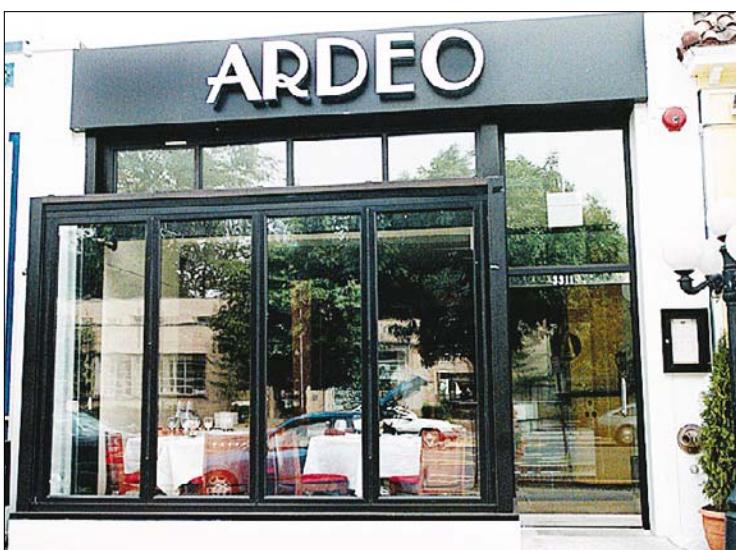
Dining

Eating Around

CHANGING OF THE GUARD

New Faces in Ardeo/ Bardeo's Kitchen

Christopher Bradley, the recently appointed executive chef at Ashok Bajaj's Cleveland Park duo Ardeo and Bardeo, has tapped a new pastry chef, Susan Kolman. Under Bradley's new leadership, the restaurants have been remaking their menus, so expect some new and interesting creations from Kolman come dessert time. Bradley, in the meantime, has some interesting new items for Ardeo's diners: lump-crab salad with bloody mary granita and micro celery and artichoke salad with baby arugula and lavender-goat cheese vinaigrette for starters. For main courses, some of the new items are seared duck breast with



short. But things are changing for the Roughrider State, which is getting some prime real estate at Georgetown Harbour. Agraria, an North Dakota-based holding company whose purpose is to start up restaurants to provide directly sourced food products from family farmers, ranchers and their cooperatives, will be opening a new farmer-owned dining spot toward the end of May. The company's headquarters is in Jamestown, N.D., but its D.C. restaurant will look very unlike the flatlands of North Dakota. Its interior is currently being crafted by D.C.'s highly regarded design pair Adamstein & Demetriou, famous for the dramatic spaces at Zaytinya, Poste and Bistro Bis, among other stellar spots. Expect meats and pastas, along with specialty produce that meet its "From Our Fields to Your Table" mantra. (MG)

GETTING SWEETER: Christopher Bradley is revamping the menus of his two-and-a-half restaurants; he even hired a new pastry chef, Susan Kolman, at Ardeo.

green tea soba noodles, baby bok choy and sesame-star anise jus and grilled mahi-mahi with mint and apricot couscous, pea-shoot salad and vanilla-almond foam. MICHAEL GRASS (EXPRESS)

→ 3309 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-244-6750. (Cleveland Park)

UPCOMING

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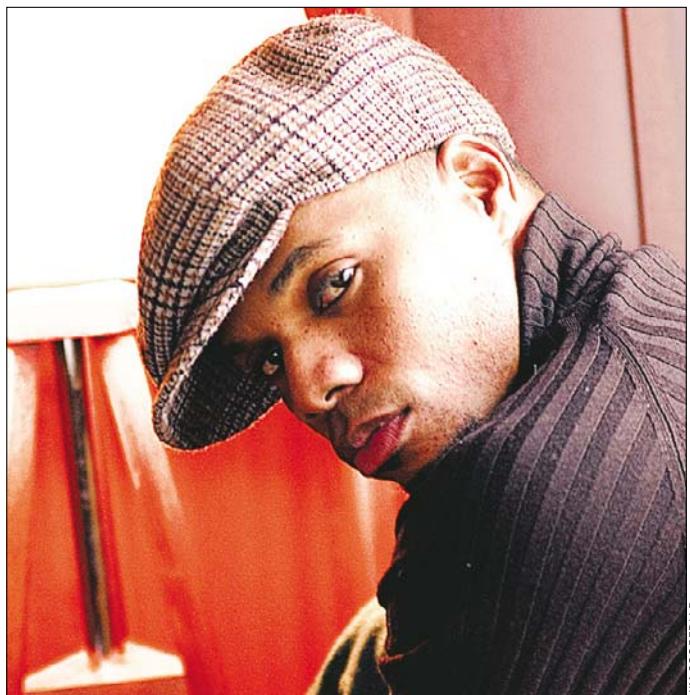
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HYPE MAN FOR THE LORD: Kirk Franklin's new gospel hit, "Hero," has been on heavy radio rotation, sandwiched between less-than-holy hip-hop songs. So if you're looking for something more inspiring than odes to female body parts, check out his choir and gospel duo Mary Mary at Constitution Hall as they take us to church Friday and Saturday night.

The Scene

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Ahead: 6 p.m., free. National Symphony Orchestra: Julian Rachlin, 8 p.m., \$65-\$79.

Love: DJs Harry Hotter, Analyze & Armageddon, 9 p.m., \$20, free with pass from lovethelclub.com.

Nation: Cübik, 8 p.m., \$10.

9:30 Club: Nickel Creek, The Ditty Bops, 8 p.m., \$27.50.

Platinum: DJ QicSilver (club mix), 9 p.m., free with pass from platinumclubdc.com, \$10 before 11 p.m., \$15 after.

Smithsonian Jazz Cafe: The Nasar Abadey Group, 6 p.m., \$10.

State Theatre: Nils Lofgren Band, 9 p.m., \$26.

Twins Jazz: The David Bond Jazz Festival, 9 & 11 p.m., \$25.

Velvet Lounge: Lee, Jae Won, Mirror Script, Bon Silo, 9 p.m., \$10.

Warehouse Next Door: Rude in DC, 8:30 p.m., \$7.

Wolf Trap: Trio Solisti, 8 p.m., \$30.

Zanzibar: Live African music, DJ Andy Mix, 7 p.m. DJs Naem and Quicksilver (hip-hop), 7 p.m., free before 7 p.m., \$10 before 10 p.m., \$15 after.

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Apex: Liquid Ladies, 9 p.m., \$8.

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Love: DJs William, Money, Bomba & Jose (hip-hop, Latin, top 40), 9 p.m., \$20.

Mayorga Coffee Factory: Loide Jorge and others, 9:30 p.m., \$5.

Nation: Velvet, 10 p.m., \$8.

Platinum: Guest DJs, (R&B, hip-hop and reggae), 9 p.m., free with pass from platinumclubdc.com, \$15 after 11 p.m.

State Theatre: Sonny Landreth, 9 p.m., \$20.

Twins Jazz: The David Bond Jazz Festival, 9 & 11 p.m., \$25.

Velvet Lounge: Unlovable, Full Minute of Mercury, Dance Party, Vote Quimby, 10 p.m., \$10.

Warehouse Next Door: Visions in Feminism Art Night, 8:30 p.m., \$7.

Zanzibar: Carimi, International Dance Party with Makossa, Ndombolo, Couper Decaler, 9 p.m., \$30.

→ SUNDAY

Bangkok Blues: Free Rein, 7 p.m., \$6.

Birchmere: Greg Brown, Jason Wilber, 7:30 p.m., \$25.

Black Cat: King James, Sleepy Wonder, DJ DK, 9 p.m., \$8 (backstage).

Blues Alley: Regina Belle, 8 & 10 p.m., \$37.75.

Crossroads: DJs Jason Steele and Andy G. (dancehall), 10 p.m., ladies free with pass from crossroadsclub.com, \$15 before 11 p.m., \$20 after.

DC9: The Lucky Bastards, Throwdown Syndicate, Indigo Son, 9 p.m., \$10.

Five: Trade (alternative lifestyles), 9 p.m., \$10.

Galaxy Hut: Carol Bui, Pagoda, 9:45 p.m., \$5.

GMU: American Youth Philharmonic Orchestra, 1 p.m., \$14.

Iota: Last Train Home, 2 p.m., \$12. Butros Butros, Day Mars Ray, 8:30 p.m., \$10.

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Idol Fun: "American Dreamz" director Paul Weitz discusses his satirical film. | *In Focus*

→ Also, competitors in the Volvo Ocean Race pull into Baltimore and Annapolis; Pussycat Doll Nicole Scherzinger.

Jammin Java: Derek Webb, Sandra McCracken, 8 p.m., \$15.

Kennedy Center: The Master Chorale of Washington: Copland & Hailstork, 3 p.m., \$19-\$55. The Laws, 6 p.m., free.

9:30 Club: Toots and the Maytals & Soulive, Grace Potter, the Nocturnals, 7 p.m., \$25.

Platinum: DJs Alize, Trini & Superslice-Muzik Nashun, free with pass from platinumclubdc.com, \$15 after 11 p.m.

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The Scene

Warehouse Next Door: More Dogs, WZT Hearts, Stamen \$ Pistols, 8:30 p.m., \$7.

Zanzibar: Tribute to Caribbean Von Martin, The Mighty Sparrow, \$20 (advance).

Sight

American Art Museum: Grant Wood's

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Anne Loeb Bronfman Gallery: Different Nights: Interpretations of the Seder by Contemporary Artists, through June 18. 16th and Q streets NW; 202-518-9400.

Arise Gallery: The Dragon and the Phoenix: Chinese Influences on Japanese Kimono, through May 31. Mandarin Oriental, 1330 Maryland Ave. SW; 202-554-8588.

Canadian Embassy Gallery: Sea-

scapes, Jerome Fortin uses plastic bottles to depict the sea in murals, through June 2. 501 Pennsylvania Ave. NW; 202-448-6591.

Conner Contemporary: Brian Morse's digital programs explore chaos and order, through April 29. 1730 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-588-8750.

Corcoran Gallery of Art: David Seymour's rare color photos and his well-known post-World War II images. A full-scale survey of Robert Bechtle's neorealist paintings, both through June 4. 500

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Apex: 415 22nd St. NW; 202-296-0505.

Bangkok Blues: 926 W. Broad St., Falls Church; 703-534-0095.

Birchmere Music Hall: 3701 Mount Vernon Ave., Alexandria; 703-549-7500.

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Club Amazon: 13501 Baltimore Ave., Laurel, Md.; 301-210-3466.

Cramton Auditorium, Howard University: 2455 6th St. NW; 202-806-7194.

Crossroads: 4103 Baltimore Ave., Bladensburg, Md.; 301-927-1056.

DC9: 1940 9th St. NW; 202-483-5000.

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LAST CHANCE Cultural Institute of

Mexico: Strange New World, art and design from Tijuana, through April 22. Works from San Diego's Museum of Contemporary Art, through April 24. 2829 16th St. NW; 202-728-1628.

Curator's Office: Other than Art, also presented by Provisions Library and G Fine Art galleries, features works exploring utopia and the intersections of art, the environment and society, through April 29. 1515 14th St. NW; 202-462-1601.

DAR Museum: Obsolete, Odd and Absolutely Ooky Stuff from the DAR Museum Vaults, through Sept. 2. 1176 D. St. NW; 202-879-3241.

LAST CHANCE D.C. Arts Center: From Sea to Shining Sea, works depicting the sea and ocean by national artists, through April 23. 2438 18th St. NW; 202-462-7833.

Embassy of Finland: From Wood to Architecture, 17 buildings demonstrate contemporary Finnish architecture, through May 7. 3301 Massachusetts Ave. NW; 202-298-5822.

Flashpoint: Micro Monumental, a Washington Sculptors Group exhibit of miniature sculptures, through May 27. 916 G St. NW; 202-315-1310, flashpointdc.org.

Folger Shakespeare Library: Shakespeare for children over the centuries, through May 13. 201 East Capitol St. SE; 202-544-4600.

Fraser Gallery Bethesda: Compelled by Content II, glass sculptures that tell stories push the genre beyond crafts and into the fine arts, through June 4. 7700 E. Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda; 301-718-9651.

Freer Gallery of Art/Arthur M. Sackler Gallery:

Hiroshi Sugimoto: Katushika Hokusai, 180 paintings, prints, drawings and books by the Japanese artist, through May 14. "100 Years of the Book of Tea," through May 29. Artists of Edo, 19th century paintings and prints by artists from Edo, through May 29. History of History, photos of seascapes, dioramas, wax figures and other artifacts depict the rich history of Japan, through July 30. Jefferson Drive & 12th Street SW; 202-633-4880.

Gallery 10: "Passages and Dire Straits," works by Ruth E. Levine, through April 29. 1519 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-232-3326.

Gallery Plan B: On the Verge, Carl Ant's paintings offer social commentary and are rife with sarcasm, opening reception, Sat., 6 p.m., through May 21. 1530 14th St. NW; 202-234-2711.

Gateway/Heliport Gallery: "Out of Your Frame," works by artists living with mental illness, including Ann Kipp and Elizabeth Henderson, through June 5. 8001 Kennett St., Suite 3, Silver Spring; 301-562-1400.

Goethe-Institut: Max Liebermann's Works on Paper, through April 28. The Art of Soccer, 13 FIFA soccer posters by Andreas Gursky, Rosemarie Trockel and other artists, through April 28. 812 7th St. NW; 202-289-1200.

LAST CHANCE Hemphill: Anne Rowland's photos of rural America, through April 22. "The Nutshell Studies of Unexplained Death," Corinne May Botz's photos of 1940s and 1950s Baltimore crime-scene models, through April 22. 1515 14th St. NW; 202-234-5601.

Hirshhorn Museum: Hiroshi Sugimoto, the photographer's first career survey, through May 14. 7th Street & Independence Avenue SW; 202-272-2448.

International Visions: New paintings by Preston Sampson, through May 6. 2629 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-234-5112.

Irvine Contemporary: "Sugar Me Softly," paintings and works on paper by Susan Jamison that explore the female body in the context of nature and myth. Robert Mellor's new paintings are filled with bold colors, line patterns and changes to classical technique, through May 5. 1710 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-332-8767.

The Jerusalem Fund Gallery: Alam al-Mithal: The World of the Image, Jordanian photographer Jan Kassay's work focuses on the beauty of her homeland's landscape, through April 28. 2425 Virginia Ave. NW; 202-338-1958.

Library of Congress: The American Violin, from Jefferson to Jazz, with historic violin pieces on display, through April 20. American Treasures, photos and artifacts of the historic 19th century Willard Hotel, through June 17. 101 Independence Ave. SE; 202-707-5000.

Kathleen Ewing Gallery: Frank DiPerna — In the Studio, through May 27. 1609 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-328-0955, kathleenewinggallery.com.

LAST CHANCE Metropolitan Center for the Arts: Place and Time, paintings by Michael Sastre, Stan Wenocur and Mary Ott, opening reception Sun., 3 p.m., through May 20. 9300 Gaither Road, Gaithersburg; 301-869-8623.

National Archives: The Way We Worked, photos and artifacts honoring working Americans, through May 29. Constitution Ave. & 9th St. NW; 202-501-5000.

National Building Museum: Jewish Washington: Scrapbook of an American Community, through July 4. "Cityscapes Revealed," highlights from the museum's permanent collection, ongoing. 401 F St. NW; 202-272-2448.

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National Gallery of Art: Cézanne in Provence, through May 7. Dada, a retrospective of the early-20th-century movement, through May 14. "Le Ballet Mécanique," an orchestra of computer-controlled robotic instruments, including 16 baby grand player pianos, through May 14. Amorous Intrigues and Painterly Refinement; landscapes and portraits by Dutch master Frans van Mieris, through May 21. Photographic Discoveries, 19th and early 20th century photographs by various artists show how the new medium developed into an art form, through July 30. 600 Constitution Ave. NW; 202-737-4215.

LAST CHANCE National Geographic Society: From Geisha to Diva: The Kimonos of Ichimaru, through April 23. Mongolia: Traditions Reborn, antique and contemporary pieces from Buddhist Tsam ceremonies, through May 14. Archipelago, photos of animal life in Hawaii, through

May 29. The only known surviving pages of the Gospel of Judas, ongoing. 17th & M streets NW; 202-857-7588.

National Library of Medicine: Visible Proofs: Forensic Views of the Body, ongoing. 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda; 301-496-6308.

National Museum of African Art: BIG/ small, diverse historical pieces show the importance of size and scale in African art, through July 9. 950 Independence Ave. SW; 202-633-1000.

National Museum of American History: ¡Azucar! The Life and Music of Celia Cruz, chronicles the life of the Queen of Salsa with photos, costumes and more, through May 29. Honky-Tonk, Henry Horenstein's photos of country musicians, through Sept. 5, other exhibitions ongoing. 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW; 202-633-1000.

National Museum of Natural History: Frost: Life and Culture of the Sami people of Norway, through June 25. 10th Street & Constitution Avenue; 202-633-1000.

National Museum of Women in the Arts: Divine and Human: Women in Ancient Mexico and Peru, artifacts that



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Numark Gallery: Adam Ross — Recent Work, fragmented cityscapes as shiny as they are dystopic, April 21 through May 27. 625-27 E St. NW; 202-628-3810, numarkgallery.com.

Parish Gallery: Four of Six, the fourth exhibit commemorating the 15th anniversary of the gallery, featuring works by various artists from throughout the years, opening reception Fri., 6 p.m., through May 16. 1054 31st St. NW; 202-944-2310.

Phillips Collection: The Renoir Returns, the museum's well-known French impressionist pieces return after a four-year international tour, Sat. through July 30. Paintings by Degas, Sickert and Toulouse-Lautrec illuminate the dialogue among 19th-century French and British artists, through May 14. 1600 21st St. NW; 202-387-2151.

Project 4: Small Gestures, oil and watercolor paintings by Terrie Pipa play with slight changes in proportions and lay-

ering, opening reception Sat., 6 p.m., through May 27. 903 U St. NW; 202-232-4340, project4gallery.com.

Spectrum Gallery: From the Fields of the Gun, Jan Faul's recent panoramic photos of Civil War battle scenes, through May 7. 1132 29th St. NW; 202-333-0954.

Strathmore: Baltimore Watercolor Society's 2006 Mid-Atlantic Regional Watercolor Exhibition, with original paintings from regional artists, through May 20. 10701 Rockville Pike, Bethesda; 301-581-5200.

Textile Museum: Seldom Seen: Director's Choice From the Museum's Collections, through July 30. **Harpies, Mermaids and Tulips: Embroidery from Greek Islands and the Epirus Region**, through Sept. 3. 2320 S St. NW; 202-667-0441.

Touchstone Gallery: Living Out Loud, featuring bold works that demand attention by a range of artists, through May 7. 406 7th St. NW; 202-347-2787.

LAST CHANCE Transformer Gallery: "Itsy Bitsy Bollocks," punk and graffiti-inspired paintings, drawings and more, through April 22. 1404 P St. NW; 202-483-1102.

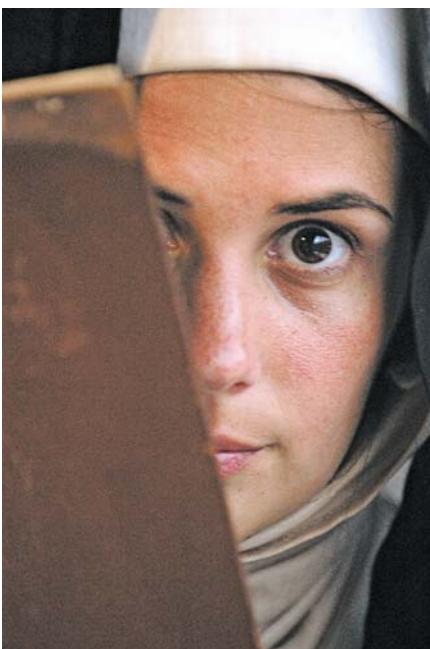
University of Phoenix, Northern Virginia Campus: Award-winning pieces from League of Reston Artists, through April 28. 11730 Plaza American Drive, Suite 200, Reston, Va.; 703-476-1474.

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fee from the seed to the cup, through May 29. **The Wilkes Expedition: Exploring our Roots**, species found during Admiral Charles Wilkes' famed 19th-century expedition, through June 4. **Crime-Solving Plants**, demonstrates how plant scientists have cracked tough cases throughout the years, through July 15. 100 Maryland Ave. SW; 202-225-8333.

Washington Printmakers Gallery: Partly inspired by the Bible, Grace Rohland's monotypes depict ancient and con-

temporary human interaction with nature, through April 30. 1732 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-332-7757.

Washington Square: Sculpture Now: 2006, presented by the Washington Sculptors Group, through May 5. 1050 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-686-8696.

Washington Studio School: Celebrating 20 years of Visual Arts and Education with works by the founding and current faculty, through April 29. 4505 Stanford

St., Chevy Chase; 301-718-7210.

White-Meyer Gallery: This Is Our Land: Discovering America and the World through Original Illustrations From Children's Books, presented by The Library of Congress, through May 21. 1624 Crescent Place NW; 202-939-5568.

Zenith Gallery: "The Wheel of Time," Renne duRocher's paintings and Mary Ann Prack's ceramics, through April 30. 413 7th St. NW; 202-783-2963.

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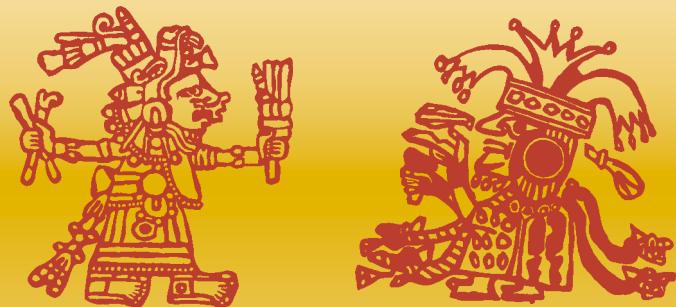
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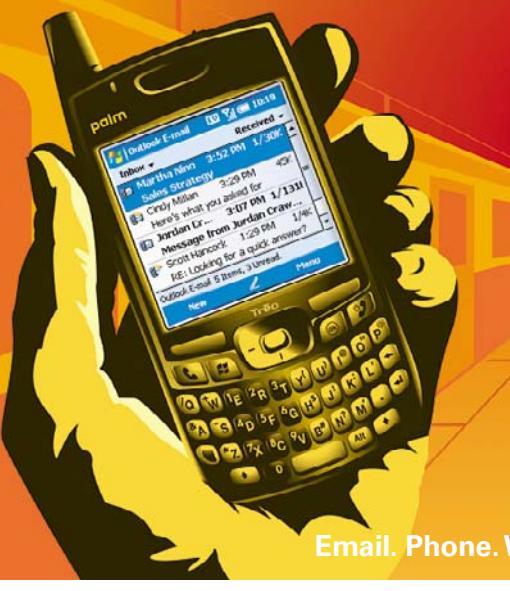
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Anything Goes: This light-hearted musical comedy set on a passenger ship follows a young man who enlists the help of mobsters to stop his sweetheart's wedding to a snooty Brit, through April 30, \$34-\$44. Olney Theatre Center, 2001 Olney-Sandy Spring Road, Olney, Md.; 301-924-3400, olneytheatre.org.

Bal Masque: Richard Greenberg's play

follows three couples in the aftermath of Truman Capote's infamous 1966 Black and White Ball, as the fame-starved clash

with anti-war protestors, through May 21, \$15-\$20. The Jewish Foundation of Greater Washington, 1529 16th St. NW; 202-777-3229, dcjcc.org.

Becoming George: MetroStage's world

premiere of this musical about 19th century literary figure George Sand coping with the government and a new protege, through May 28, \$35-\$40. 1201 North Royal St., Alexandria; 703-548-9044.

Canterbury Tales, Part I: The Royal

Shakespeare Company presents their rendition of Chaucer's tale about a storytelling group on a pilgrimage who offer humor and moral lessons, through May 6, \$25-\$78. Kennedy Center, 2700 F St. NW; 202-467-4600, kennedy-center.org.

Coyote on a Fence: An arrogant liberal

writer and a white supremacist start a friendship while they both serve time on death row, through April 30, \$11-\$15. Silver Spring Stage, Colesville and University Blvd. Silver Spring; 301-593-6036, ssstage.org.

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Fiddler on the Roof: The classic feel-good musical follows a Jewish family in Russia as they cope with changes in tradition and persecution by the Russian government, April 22 through May 6, \$18. Thomas Jefferson Theater, 125 S. Old Glebe Road, Arlington; 703-549-1063, thejeffersonplayers.org.

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the disappearance of her young daughter, are brought together by an academic specializing in serial killers, through May 7, \$25. The Studio Theatre, 1501 14th St. NW; 202-332-3300, studiotheatre.org.

The Game of Love and Chance: One of Pierre de Marviaux's most popular plays depicts the comic consequences of a couple trading places with their servants, through May 14, \$25-\$49. Folger Theatre, 201 E. Capitol St. SE; 202-544-4600, folger.edu.

The Gigli Concert: An Englishman in Ireland can't stop drinking as he mediates between a demanding woman and an Irish millionaire who enlists his help to sing just like the Italian tenor, Gigli, through May 7, \$30-\$48. Woolly Mammoth Theater, 641 D St. NW; 202-393-3939, woollymammoth.net.

LAST CHANCE Irish Authors Held Hostage: Irish authors are kidnapped by a wide variety of terrorists in this comedic commentary on the war on terror, through April 23, \$20. Warehouse Theater, 1021 7th St. NW; 703-684-7990, irishauthorsheldhostage.com.

SATURDAY ONLY Jazz on Foot: Jane Franklin Dance company takes its audience through the history of jazz from Africa to 1950s bebop, \$15. Gunston Theater One, 2700 S. Lang St., Arlington; 703-298-3235, janefranklin.com.

SATURDAY ONLY Jim Gaffigan — Beyond the Pale: Stand-up comedian Gaffigan questions our most beloved holidays, among other things, \$25.75. Warner Theatre, 13th and E Streets NW; 202-783-4000, warnertheatre.com.

THIS WEEKEND ONLY Kevin Nealon: The longest-running cast member in "SNL" history and his brand of dry wit, through Sun., \$22. Improv, 1140 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-296-7008, dcimprov.com.

Lady Day at Emerson's Bar & Grill: Set during Billie Holiday's last performance in March 1959, one of jazz's most famous women sings her signature pieces and recounts anecdotes from her life, through June 4, \$50-\$69. Arena Stage, 1101 6th St. SW; 202-554-9066, arenastage.org.

FRIDAY ONLY Lewis Black — Red, White & Screwed: The angry comedian takes the stage for a live taping of an HBO special to rant about American society, \$49.50-\$59.50. Warner Theatre, 13th and E Streets NW; 202-783-4000, warnertheatre.com.

Manicures and Monuments: This dark comedy follows a manicurist-in-training who forges a friendship with a grouchy

nursing-home resident, through May 6, \$15-\$20. 1333 H St. NE; 202-399-7993, atlasarts.org.

THIS WEEKEND ONLY Maryland

Dance Ensemble: A spring concert featuring a premiere of a work by Shannon Hummel, Thu.-Sun., \$15, \$7 for full-time students with ID. Clarice Smith Center, Route 193 and Stadium Drive, College Park, Md.; 301-405-2787, claricesmithcenter.umd.edu.

Il Matrimonio Segreto: The University of Maryland School of Music's Maryland Opera Studio resets the fluffy opera of a secret marriage in the ultracool early 1960s, April 21-April 30, \$20, \$7 for full-time students with ID. Clarice Smith Center, Route 193 and Stadium Drive, College Park, Md.; 301-405-2787, claricesmithcenter.umd.edu.

The Persians: This Aeschylus tragedy depicts how once-glorious Persia fell into despair and corruption after being overtaken by the Athenians, through May 21, \$14.25-\$71.25. Shakespeare Theater Company, 450 7th St. NW; 202-547-1122, shakespearetheatre.org.

The Play's the Thing: The Washington Stage Guild's adaptation of P.G. Wodehouse adaptation of the Ferenc Molnar novel. Got that? Trust us — it's funny, through May 21, \$30-\$35. Washington Stage Guild, 1901 14th St. NW; 202-582-0050, stageguild.org.

The Retreat From Moscow: A history teacher obsessed with Napoleon's retreat from Moscow walks out on his wife, leaving her and his adult son to reassemble their lives, through April 30, \$25-\$50. Round House Theatre, 4545 East-West Highway, Bethesda; 240-644-1100, roundhousetheatre.org.

Richard II: The Washington Shakespeare Company's take on the rise and fall of an English kingdom, through May 14, \$22-\$30. WSC Clark Street Playhouse, 601 S. Clark St., Arlington; washingtonshakespear.org.

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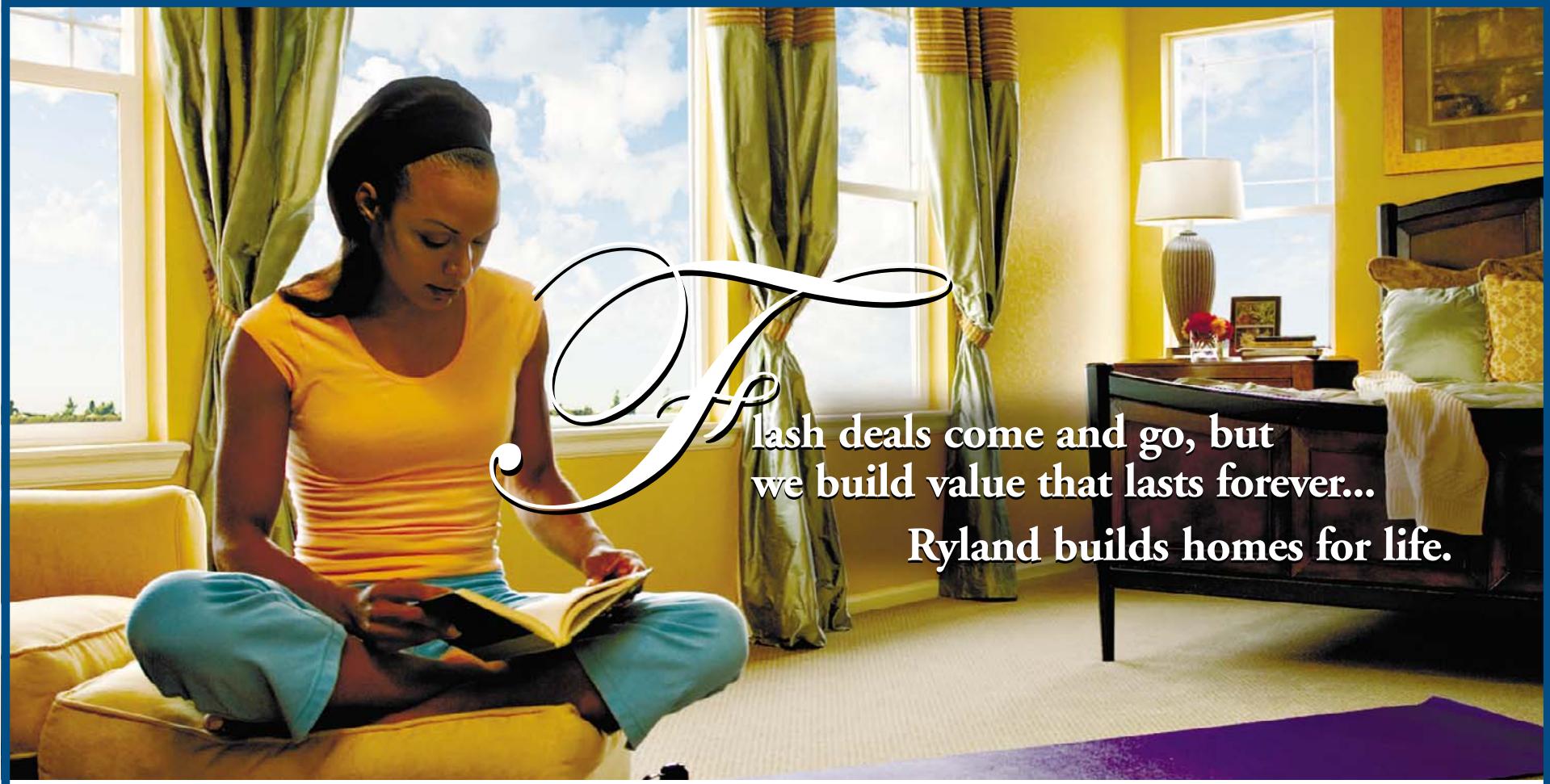
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